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Opponents turn out for Prop. F meeting

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The Redevelopment Advisory Committee held a public meeting Monday night designed to present information and answer questions from the community on Proposition F which, if passed in November, will amend and continue the city's Redevelopment plan, setting an \$80 million debt limit for project assistance.

It was opponents of Proposition F that seemed to fill the audience, asking a variety of challenging questions of committee members.

Chair Jon Bashor had opened the

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JON BASHOR, REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

meeting by sharing something about the committee and its work. He pointed out the varied backgrounds of different members and noted that everyone who had applied to the committee had been accepted.

He said the committee had grouped redevelopment target sites into four larger areas in order to come up with cohesive recommendations for each and had looked intensively at the city and at neighboring cities to determine what development might be possible.

The committee's final report included development guidelines for each area; Brian Dolan recapped those for members of the audience.

Bashor said general agreement

Newsline

EC Garden Club fundraiser set

The El Cerrito Garden Club will hold its annual fundraiser on Nov. 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane.

The meeting, titled Holiday Potpourri, will include Barbara Post making floral designs using fruits and vegetables and giving some cooking ideas.

There will be plant sales, silent

County sheriff to speak on Measure F

On Thursday, Nov. 3, there will be a community meeting co-sponsored by No On Casinos and the Pastors of Albany Churches. Alameda County Sheriff Charles Flummer, an opponent of Albany's Measure F, will describe problems related to the proposed cardroom. The meeting will be held at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call No On Casinos at 952-2053.

Mayors take no stand on library tax measure

By Dawn Frasier
EL CERRITO — After a "hot and heavy discussion" of the county library system and Measure B, the County Mayors' Conference decided to take no stand on the proposed library tax.

They said, "We're going to do nothing, just like the county does," Mayor Jane Bartke reported to the El Cerrito City Council at last week's meeting.

The proposed \$15 tax will be divided into two parts. Ten dollars of each property owner's tax will go toward a restoration of services, again opening the county libraries 45 hours per week. The remaining \$5 is considered Return to Source money and will go back to each city that city's own library.

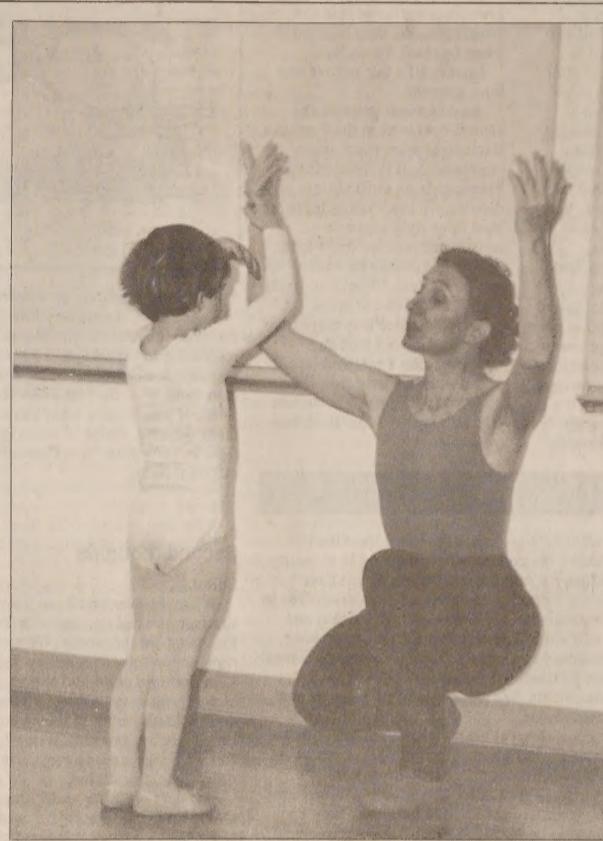
According to Bartke, the cities worked hard to get full jurisdiction over use of that \$5. Originally, she said, the county had wanted the cities to play only an "advisory" role in its use.

It is likely, for example, that the See LIBRARY, page 16

had been reached that the Redevelopment Agency should be allowed to continue issuing bonds and redeveloping blighted areas but that the plan amendment should be put to a public vote.

"We agreed that Redevelopment is neither good nor bad," Bashor said, the goal of the election being to determine "whether you want (the redevelopment) tool in your toolbox." Other tools, he said, would include things like land use policies and a pro- or anti-business stance.

Consistently, committee members referred to redevelopment as a tool for El Cerrito. Chair Jon Bashor



Graceful moves

Dancers learn to pirouette and leap in the Children's Ballet class sponsored by the Albany Recreation Department. Children 3 to 5 years old are taught graceful ballet movement by Mary Lyons, a graduate of the Royal Academy of Dancing in London.

Standing room only at Measure F debate

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — With two weeks to go until Albany voters have the final word on a card room in Albany, the pros and cons of Measure F were debated Tuesday night before a standing-room only crowd at the Veterans Building.

Interrupted occasionally by the applause of supporters, former Waterfront Committee Chair Judith Innes argued for the No on F forces

and Planning Commissioner Michael Feiner made the case for the Yeses.

The debate was moderated by Regina Minutri, a member of the Albany-Berkeley League of Women Voters which sponsored the event.

Feiner's opening statement took the form of a rebuttal to what he called No on F's "malicious and misleading" campaign statements. The No's were telling "lie after lie,

preying on people's fears," he said.

Measure F would not allow an illegal casino, by definition an establishment with a full range of gambling devices, but a card room only, he said. The card room would be "no big change" from the activity which has taken place at Golden Gate Fields over the past fifty years and would not "make money off the backs of poor people."

The opponents claim that angry, despondent, drunken gamblers

will be running over Albany children on their way to school in the morning would be funny if it weren't so outrageous," Feiner said.

There would be no increase in crime or prostitution if the cardroom is approved, he said, citing its endorsement by Albany Police Chief Larry Murdo and the Albany Police Officers Association.

Feiner said there would be "no massive buildup of traffic" according to DEBATE, page 16

Soroptimists celebrate 73 years of service

By Laura Stein

EL CERRITO — Soroptimists of Richmond, El Cerrito and Albany celebrated Founder's Day at the Mira Vista Country Club last week.

The Soroptimist Club of Alameda was organized by Stuart Murrow in Oakland 73 years ago (1921) and has successfully grown since then, with clubs in 81 countries around the world.

Club members are active in women's issues and other philanthropies including health, environment, economic development and education. The Soroptimists of El Cerrito have donated signs designating drug-free areas around schools and have contributed \$11,000 for play equipment at the El Cerrito Child Care Center.

Del Nickerson, a member since 1974, currently serves on the Soroptimist Federation Board of the Americas, proudly noting that the group has helped set up seven eye clinics in Bangladesh.

Soroptimist membership is open to professional men and women who are willing to work for change locally and world wide. Clubs meet twice a month for educational lectures and to discuss ongoing ventures.



Joyce Odin, left, Patti Cross, regional governor and Barbara Obele celebrate Founder's Day at the Mira Vista Country Club.

■ Remembering When

By William Paul

All's fair on the old Farmer's Exchange

Lest you think that city people were the only ones to have early-day problems with telephones, listen to some of the troubles some of the farmers had.

Practically all farm telephones — it might even have been all farm telephones — were of the type that operated by crank. The crank ran a sort of dynamo that generated enough juice to ring the bell. It not only rang your bell but all the bells on the local circuit. That meant all your neighbors who had telephones.

One long crank gave you the central operator. Otherwise, you cranked out a code to get the person you wanted to talk to. For instance you might ring two short, pause, then one long and one short for the neighbor whose number was on Farmer's Exchange 11, and whose local number was one long, and one short ring or 11F12. All of the bells — perhaps a dozen-and-a-half or more — would ring, but only the person whose call number was one short and one long ring was supposed to answer.

Still with me? Well, so were a lot of the neighbors who were both on the line and nosy. And, from reports I've heard, a big percentage of farm folks listened in on their phones instead of subscribing to the local newspaper to keep up-to-date on what was going on.

My wife grew up on a farm in the Sacramento Valley in a home that had a Farmer's Exchange phone. She had two grandmothers who liked to gossip on the phone, and after quite a spell of conversations they discovered they had a rather large audience listening in. They solved the problem rather neatly: One grandma was of German extraction and the other was Holland Dutch, but they could understand each other. Exit the audience.

One good story came down from Oregon about that problem. One Oregon farmer raised mint for the market, and as soon as a Farmer's Exchange became available to him, he subscribed.

It seems that mint-growing is rather easy to manage — it's a perennial crop and you can control its growth by varying

some of the cultural practices, primarily irrigation. When you want more mint, let in the water; withhold the water and growth slows. So this farmer would call Portland, or wherever the big market for mint was, and find out what they were paying, and he was able to have a good crop at high prices every time.

Pretty soon some of the other growers got wind of this and bought phones, then listened in when he made his calls.

I guess all's fair in love and mint-growing.

As you might suspect, the central operators in the Farmer's Exchanges were much more conversational than the Number Please girls on citified lines and didn't have supervisors listening over their right ears every minute because too many farm people had questions on how to use the system. Then, too, traffic wasn't as heavy out in the country, so there was more time to get acquainted with the operator, chat a bit, find out about Blossom's new calf.

What would you give to live like that again? Pleas FAX me your answer.



You may be gambling on someone's life.

Twice now, the Albany Fire Department has saved my husband's life. Not just because they responded to my 911 call, but when they responded. Five minutes, 10 minutes would not have done it — the just under three minutes did.

So, if you do take what you see as the high moral ground, which is your right, allow me the right to view your "moral position" in a very different light.

Mary E. Giannelli
Albany

Albany's families afford this large, negative land use? It is not complementary to the Eastshore Park and the Bay Trail.

Can Albany's families afford this land use when Albany ranks 97th out of the Bay Area's cities in usable open space?

Catherine W.

Future worries

Editor:

Measure F is not just about a cardroom, it's about Albany's future. A future that includes a 14-foot-wide waterfront park for families when on the other side of a fence is a 24-hour, 7-day-week, year round cardroom.

A future that brings 700 jobs to Albany in a smoke-filled environment promoting gambling, a future that has children walking to school with increased traffic from gamblers going to and from the cardroom — they may be distracted, in a haze or drunk. A future where families and seniors are afraid due to increased crime. A family-oriented city whose revenues are tied to one industry — gambling. A city whose mayor and city council think that gambling is environmentally correct.

That's some future for my 2-year-old to face. Protect Albany's future. Vote No on Measure F.

Alice E.

Six good reasons

Editor:

There are six good reasons why I will vote "Yes" on Proposition F (extending the activity of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency — R.D.A. — with emphasis on the Plaza area).

First is the partial replacement of lost federal and state subsidies, by increased local sales tax revenue. Second is city improvement — using limited space to our best advantage — creating an attractive south commercial gateway to our city — conserving and beautifying the historic Plaza creekbed. My third reason is improving our affordable rental housing balance for all income levels.

The fourth is a self-liquidating investment in the city's future, with no financial risk to local taxpayers. (The R.D.A. is by law an arm of the state, though administered by the city council). Fifth is creating a permanent and representative citizens' advisory commission which will help guide the R.D.A. The sixth and final reason for my "Yes" on "F" is that public hearings are required before implementation of proposed physical changes and before any tax revenue expenditures.

Art Schmitz

El Cerrito

Small town preservation

Editor:

Our vote on Measure F will retain Albany's special character into the next century or it will change the face of our town forever. This casino measure is opposed by three former mayors, three former chairs of the Waterfront Committee and many community leaders.

Ladbrooke supporters claim that a casino is the only solution to the city's budget deficit. Currently Golden Gate Fields-Ladbrooke is not paying municipal taxes on \$250 million per year from these operations, and they are operating them without a use permit. Once this source of revenue is brought up to date, including back taxes, our budget deficit becomes a surplus.

This year alone, three bills were on the legislative floor to regulate and tax California cardrooms. To date only one failed. If we do not tax these earnings now, the state will tax them in the future.

Albany would be controlled by Ladbrooke, the world's largest gambling organization! Even from a business point of view, having only one source of revenue is unwise. Race track revenues have dropped from \$1.5 million to \$600,000. Cardrooms are just as risky.

What the casino backers don't tell us is that the projected profits will be eaten up by the high cost of police services to maintain the influx of over 3 million gamblers to our waterfront!

Our existing Waterfront District occupies over 20 percent of the land in Albany. The casino idea also destroys over 15 years of waterfront planning in Albany alone. Water-oriented, recreational, park and related commercial activities are allowed in this zone.

The casino proposal basically rezones the entire area to a "gaming district." That zoning would exclude children and allow adults only! Can

Essential role

Editor:

This coming Nov. 8, the citizens of El Cerrito have an opportunity to make a very important decision about the future of our city. Measure F, asking for approval of an amendment to the El Cerrito Redevelopment Plan, presents a vital choice. Will the city revert back to the economic stagnation and deteriorating physical environment of the early 1980's or will our community continue to experience the economic growth and exciting physical changes of the more recent past? This, basically, is the choice represented by Measure F.

After many years, the El Cerrito redevelopment program has finally taken off. Developments like Del Norte Place, the Target store, Smart & Final Home Depot, and the new Foods Co. store have all happened in the last four years. These businesses contribute many thousands of dollars of sales tax revenue that go to the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency, but to the city's General Fund. That revenue helps maintain police, fire and other basic services for the citizens of El Cerrito.

There is much yet to be done in El Cerrito through the redevelopment program. The El Cerrito Plaza is long overdue for major revitalization. The Del Norte area is waiting for additional mixed-use developments such as Del Norte Place on several parcels of vacant and under-utilized land. The entire length of San Pablo Avenue is waiting for street and frontage improvements that will make it a friendly, inviting place to work, visit and shop.

I urge my fellow citizens to continue the progress that El Cerrito has made in recent years.

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■ Letters to the Editor

Where to stand

Editor:

Were I to stand for "family values" — some of which I do stand for, others of which I don't — I would vote No on Measure F.

Were I to stand for the "non-values" of "get-rich-quick" and "get something for nothing" — as do, apparently, many property owners, business men and women, and politicians — I would vote Yes on Measure F.

But then, I may not vote at all. Then again, I just may.

Ian Johnson
Albany

Great potential

Editor:

Ladbrooke, Ltd., the largest gambling corporation in the world, wants to build a 24-hour, 365-day-a-year card room/casino on Albany's waterfront. They are bankrolling an expensive committee consisting of a handful of Albany citizens and city employees and a paid staff, together with a group of poorly-paid hourly employees who distribute literature designed to mislead Albany voters into supporting the card room.

The highly-paid producer of this campaign is Larry Tramutola, who also managed the recent San Pablo card room/casino campaign. He is a professional manager hired by Ladbrooke to guarantee their success in manipulating the vote in Albany, as he did in San Pablo.

The "Citizen's Committee for Measure F/Sponsored by Ladbrooke Racing Corporation" attempts to project a grass-roots image, while they have spent at least \$85,000, so far, of Ladbrooke's money. It is a sham.

The workers who drop literature for the card room/casino and who are on your phone line, urging you to put up their signs, are, for the most part, poorly-paid temps. Is this what Albany can expect for the future promised jobs at the casino? Why doesn't Ladbrooke come clean and mail us "four-color" brochures, first-class mail? Is Albany so easily bought for their interests?

The potential for major corruption is very real in our town, and the establishment of a nonstop gambling complex, the biggest in Northern California, blocks from our middle school on one of the most desirable waterfront properties in the East Bay, is the goal of the proponents of the card room/casino proposal. It makes no sense, especially at a time when the State Legislature is poised to establish a Nevada-style gaming commission, one which will sop up the majority

of Ladbrooke's projected revenues for Albany.

Neither the commissions involved in planning for Albany's future nor the city council have given any serious considerations to alternatives to this undesirable agreement with Ladbrooke, one that will alter the city's gambling and smoking ordinances permanently. This proposed agreement cannot guarantee the promised environmental enhancements. We need better city government, not card rooms.

Support the real grass-roots campaign, the No on Casinos committee. Their budget is minuscule (\$3,000, all from local contributions), in comparison with Ladbrooke's (\$85,000 minimum). Their signs may continue to be stolen, they may continue to be harassed, but they will continue their work until this unfortunate proposal is defeated.

John Thow
Albany

Moral folly

Editor:

I don't always agree with our City Council — a fact that several of them know only too well. However, these people aren't some far-away "politicians." They are my neighbors, and while I may not always like actions they take, I have never questioned their individual and joint dedication to Albany. And, if this city has ever had an environmental council, we have one now.

The council can't find the necessary funds we need. The Task Force can't find the money. It is not there. With the resources we have, that money has to come from Golden Gate Fields or our pockets. If any of my fellow citizens think that a new parcel tax of \$120 per parcel will stop there, then they still believe in the "tooth fairy." That is not a "scare tactic;" that is just plain common sense.

One writer to the editor talked about being "knee-deep in gamblers." I have lived in Albany for almost 30 years and, even when the track was drawing far more people than it does today, I have never been "knee-deep" in gamblers. And even if I had been — so what? These "gamblers" are not creatures with horns, tails, and guns tucked under their armpits. They are people I see socially, that I count among my friends — even a member of my own family.

I know that among those opposed to Measure F are those who feel that gambling, per se, is immoral. Speaking directly to those who feel that way, before you take the high ground, be clear in your mind that you are also gambling. You are not gambling on your personal skills at poker, or your ability to pick a winning horse by its breeding.

We've been told that at a Planning and Zoning Commission hearing a Ladbrooke executive stated that cardroom-related crime will not occur. "In that case," asked the chair, "will Ladbrooke be willing to agree to pay for additional police officers needed to deal with any cardroom-related crime, should any arise?" Absolutely not, he replied.

Friends near Gilman Street tell of increased traffic, crime and prostitution on race days already. Consider that horse racing is a daytime activity and only 105 days each year; not unregulated high-stakes cardroom gambling, 24 hours each day, every day of the year. Anyone who tells you there won't be increased crime and other problems is kidding themselves and lying to you.

We do not want to see this community ruined by the side effects of a casino. We've been fixing up our house to raise our family here, but if Measure F passes, we'll fix it up to sell, and be out of Albany before this casino opens.

Anni Tilt
David Arkin
Albany

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'Rosy propaganda' challenged in EC

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito Citizens' Alliance has distributed a flyer to residents as part of its No on Proposition F campaign, challenging what it calls the "rosy propaganda" of the measure's proponents.

Passage of Measure F would continue El Cerrito's redevelopment program by amending its Redevelopment Plan and raising the debt limit that can be incurred by the Redevelopment Agency to \$80 million. The debt limit of the city's original Redevelopment Plan was \$30 million.

The Redevelopment Agency has been a part of El Cerrito's development strategy since 1977; its term of existence ran out last year.

The flyer's main argument is that even the tax increments from increased property values could go into city coffers if not used by new programs. Many believe that the free market should make its own development decisions in El Cerrito apart from financial assistance.

Many areas of disagreement reflect differing assumptions rather than any real numbers that can be cited to "prove" either side.

Some opponents, for example, believe strongly that businesses will come, and have come, to El Cerrito despite any redevelopment program.

Alliance member Beverly Gent has often cited Home Depot as an example. Gent said again Monday night that the company's decision to partially locate in El Cerrito (most of the store lies in the city of Richmond) had nothing to do with any surrounding changes prompted by redevelopment.

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Other opponents may have a less positive view of El Cerrito's appeal to developers. They believe that surrounding cities have more to offer them — "we can never compete with Berkeley, Emeryville, Pinole" — despite what redevelopment does or does not do.

Supporters of using "the redevelopment tool," as they often call it, see the situation differently. They believe that private developers are

development uses for specific projects, always under state guidelines, which were made much more stringent last year. They include projects that expand the tax base, that reduce blight, that enhance the economy and that provide affordable housing.

It is the viewpoint of Lewis and other proponents that because only the increment in rising property taxes for new development is used by the agency, taxpayers are not paying anything and are instead receiving numerous benefits from both redevelopment projects and development that comes to town as blighted areas start looking better.

Opponents disagree.

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not attracted to blighted areas or sections of town like El Cerrito Plaza that seem to have lost their vitality. Redevelopment assistance, they say, can "jump start" an area, making it more attractive to developers who do not, in fact, require assistance.

They provide their lists of examples in which they say that strategy's worked (FoodsCo, for one), rivaling the lists (Home Depot, Grease Monkey, etc.) submitted by Measure F opponents.

Gent said she had a letter from Home Depot saying it was not attracted to El Cerrito because of surrounding redevelopment projects; RAC member Don West said the committee had a letter from FoodsCo saying it was attracted to the city because of them.

The economic game plan for cities has changed, F proponents say. Monday night, for example, RAC member Brian Dolan said that Pinole has attracted businesses from the El Portal shopping center because of its redevelopment incentives. Incentives El Cerrito must also use in order to be competitive.

Lewis also added another dimension, the fact that some properties have inherent problems — toxic waste, for example — that the city must take care of. He sees those existing problems as creating insurmountable financial hurdles to most interested developers; at least one audience member Monday night suggested that developers should take care of their own land problems as part of the expense of business.

Different ways of looking at things affects many situations. In its flyer, for example, the Alliance quoted a newspaper editorial that urged a No on F. That editorial pointed to the Redevelopment Agency's investment in Target as a "failure" and in Del Norte Place as "another financial loser for the city," sentiments that opponents of redevelopment have often made. (The editorial does not call the projects failures in themselves only in paying back the city's investment.)

The editorial argues against the assumption that a development "momentum" is created by such projects that will attract other businesses to the area.

That is exactly what proponents believe. They point to FoodsCo as a private business that came to town when things began looking up through Redevelopment efforts.

Proponents also point to factors much harder to measure, such as the testimony of some neighboring residents that they feel more safe and secure with the Target store's presence, or the aesthetic appeal of a development like Del Norte Place — an appeal that carries substantive value.

They also point to the fact that Del Norte Place provides affordable, secure housing — perhaps at a cost to the city but at a cost far outweighed by the benefits of providing that housing — in this case, for seniors residents.

Longtime residents of the city — residents who've seen many changes — don't see eye to eye on the matter.

RAC member Dan Freudenthal says he's delighted to see the urban blight he saw come to El Cerrito over the years being turned around. It's part of El Cerrito's "joining the future," he said.

West, who did not agree on the high debt limit set by the committee but does believe Redevelopment money is needed to make a change at El Cerrito Plaza, believes the city should keep redevelopment "available to use where we need it to get the job done."

At the Plaza, he said, that assistance will be needed — and it's necessary, in that the people of El Cerrito are constantly expressing their desires for a more vital Plaza and in the specific difficulties raised by the shopping center's multiple ownership.

"We don't have to use Redevelopment all the time," he said. "(But) there wasn't much happening when we (depended) on regular development."

But Amberg cited several examples in which he believes new businesses were discouraged from coming to El Cerrito or existing businesses discouraged from growth because of conditions placed upon them by the city's planning commission (specifically, in terms of parking space requirements).

Redevelopment on trial in El Cerrito



ZENOPHON A. ABRAHAM

redevelopment czar. In San Francisco, the agency is an entity separate from the city with its own redevelopment director. The head of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency (ECRA) is Patrick O'Keffe, director of community development. Like other organizations of its type, ECRA identifies a specific part of the city as being a ghetto (they like to use the term "blighted" area), draws a boundary around it, then receives approval from the city council to collect property taxes from the land owners within it. The ECRA floats bonds against the property tax money they think they will get in the future from the ghetto land owners. They do this based on a math formula called Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

The agency is commonly staffed by a redevelopment director. Who the director is generally varies with the size of the city. For example, in Fremont the director is the assistant city manager. In Oakland, the economic development chief is the

To understand TIF, imagine that you have a tank of water with 1000 gallons in it. I See ABRAHAM, page 16

Travel class at Vista

A series of travel industry workshops sponsored by Vista Community College in Berkeley is planned for October.

"Tour Costing" examines how to price group tours and is scheduled Saturday, Oct. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 166 Barrows Hall, UC-Berkeley.

The community college fee for California residents is \$13 per credit for those who do not have a

bachelor's degree and \$50 per credit for those who do.

Nonresidents pay a \$117 per unit enrollment fee.

Registration is open until the first class session.

Enroll at Vista Community College, 2020 Milvia St between University and Addison, Berkeley.

Call 841-8431 for your free travel industry brochure and details about courses, seminars and programs.

Flu shot clinic rescheduled

Originally scheduled for Oct. 20, the El Cerrito flu immunization clinic has been postponed until Thursday, Nov. 3. The clinic is for persons 60 and over and persons with chronic health problems.

The clinic will be at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Come between 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. if your last name begins with A through M; and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. if it begins with N through Z. The Public Health Department is requesting a donation of \$5 for the immunization.

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Goings on About Town

Performances

Bay Area Folk Society benefit: Oct. 29, 3:30 p.m. St. Albans Episcopal Church, 1501 Washington Ave., Berkeley.

Berkeley Community Chorus & Orchestra: Berkeley Messiah sing to rehearse starting Nov. 22. Interested singers call 525-5393.

Children's concert: Ruth Pelham performs a fun-filled sing-a-long concert for children of all ages Oct. 30, 1 p.m. at Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave. Call 525-7082.

Halloween Concert: Oct. 31, 8 p.m.: "Things That Go Bump in The Night" by The Festival Consort, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley.

Maybbeck: Oct. 30, 4 p.m.: Ted Rosenthal, piano, 1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley.

San Francisco Choral Artists: Oct. 29, 8 p.m.: Opens 10th anniversary season by celebrating "A Decade of Song," at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft at Ellsworth in Berkeley. Call (415) 979-5779.

Actor's Ensemble of Berkeley: Runs Fridays and Saturdays through Nov. 19: "Lips Together, Teeth Apart." 1301 Shattuck. Call 528-5620.

Bardolators: Oct. 30, 2 - 6 p.m.: Reads "Comedy of Errors," a private home in Albany with potluck intermission. Call 526-0183.

Caffé Mediterraneum: Nov. 1, 7-9 p.m.: Poetry readings feature Linda Franke and Tom Ross. Open reading begins at 8 p.m. 2475 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. Call 549-1128.

La Val's: Oct. 30: "Dharma Poetry," hosted by Dasharath Siporin, at 7:30 p.m., featuring "To Thee Dear Guru, I Sing," "Baba, Source of Everything" and "Re-union with the Self." 1834 Euclid, Berkeley. 524-5221.

The Masquers: Nov. 1 and 2: Auditions for "Driving Miss Daisy." Call 888-9688. Opens "Me and My Girl," Oct. 28 and runs through Dec. 17. 105 Park Place, Point Richmond. Reservations call 232-4031.

Northside Theater: Now showing: "Sex, Drugs, and Democracy," a documentary by Jonathan Blaik about Amsterdam, Holland. 1828 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. Call 841-2679.

Poetry at Cody's: Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.: Ted Joans and Tennessee Reed, 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley. \$2, upstairs.

Shotgun Players: Through Nov. 17: "The Merchant of Venice." 1834 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. Call 540-7743.

Tecocall: Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 10: The Blood Road Singers and Dancers International Touring Company. For reservations call 724-2032.

Ashkenaz: Oct. 27: Mud Hut; Oct. 28: Born in the Hills; Jungal Grooves; Oct. 29: Voz Do Brazil; Oct. 31: Spirit of Pan; Nov. 1: Jazayer; Nov. 2: Zydeco Magic; Nov. 3: Super Sauce. 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054.

Freight & Salvage: Oct. 27: Danny Carnahan & Robin Petrie & The Missing Pieces; Oct. 28: Tim & Mollie O'Brien & The O'boys; Oct. 29: Carol McComb and Nina Gerber; Oct. 30: Judy Henske and Craig Doerge; Nov. 1: Best of the Hoots; Nov. 2: Bo Grunpus. 1111 Addison St., Berkeley. Call 548-1761.

Kimball's East: Through Oct. 30: Boney James. All shows 8 and 10 p.m. unless otherwise noted. \$18-\$24. 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville. Call 658-2555.

Starry Plough: Oct. 27, 8:30 p.m.: Peter Droege, Cactus Motel, Roger Manning; Oct. 28: CAKE, Ron Silva and the Monarchs; Oct. 29: Buffalo Roam; Nov. 3: Supergrover, King Friday. Music starts Thursday through Saturday, 9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 841-2082.

Meetings, Classes, Lectures and other events

Bentley School: Nov. 5: Basketball and Alumni Bash for alumni from the classes of 1984-94. RSVP's requested by Oct. 28. Call Laura Skolnik. 843-2512.

Berkeley Measures: Oct. 27, 7 p.m.: Debate on Measure N and 0.204 Ashby Ave., Berkeley. Call 843-8824.

East Bay ACT-UP: Send in the clowns! Supporters of AIDS housing at 2211 Rose St., Berkeley will give away treats and helium balloons at the proposed site from 5 - 6 p.m. on Halloween. They'll dress as clowns to show that people with AIDS aren't scary. Children of all ages are welcome. Call 568-1680.

Educator's Seminar: Oct. 28, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.: "Teaching about the Middle East, Innovative Approaches for Educators." 1600 Sacramento Ave., Berkeley. Call 238-8080.

Halloween '94: The City's of El Cerrito and Albany are jointly sponsoring the program at El Cerrito Plaza, from 2 - 7:30 p.m., Oct. 31. Children ages 3-13 are welcome to participate in carnival games. Prizes, candy and free storytelling. Call 215-4370 or 524-9283.

Halloween at Tilden: Oct. 30, 2-4 p.m.: Bring your own pumpkin for a carving session at Tilden's Environmental Education Center. Call 521-6887.

Halloween Bazaar: Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: The New School of Berkeley's annual bazaar will feature a haunted house, face-painting and children's games, apple-bobbing, pumpkins, a rummage sale, book sale, lunch, bake sale and live music. 1606 Bonita St., Berkeley.

Call 5488-9165.

Halloween Carnival and Haunted House: Oct. 29, 4-9 p.m.: Costume parade at 4:30 p.m., haunted house opens at 7 p.m. Frances Alibier Community Center, 2800 Park St., Berkeley. Call 644-8515.

Harvest Dinner: Nov. 3, 6:30-9:30 p.m.: Contact-Care Center's annual fund-raising banquet, features sports attorney Leigh Steinberg. Call 284-2207.

Health and Safety Festival: Oct. 29, 1-4 p.m.: Safety First exhibit, Body Connections Health Activities and safety classes for children ages 3 - 12 and their parents. Hall of Health, 2230 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 549-1564.

KPFA presents: Oct. 28, 8 p.m.: An evening with Howard Zinn. 1781 Rose St., Berkeley. Call 548-0542.

NIAD: Oct. 31, 1 p.m.: Citywide celebration of Halloween featuring NIAD artists modeling clothing they have created at the institute. Richmond Civic Center. Call 620-0290.

Save Music, Shop Berkeley: Oct. 29: Participating merchants throughout the city will donate a percentage of the day's receipts to the elementary school music program. For information call 644-6244.

Barnes & Noble: Oct. 29, 12:30-2 p.m.: Tommy Bond, *Dam Right It's Butch: Memories of Our Gang - The Little Rascals*; Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m.: Ronald Ruiz, *Happy Birthday Jesus*. Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 2352 Shattuck, Berkeley. 644-0861.

Black Oak Books: Readings, Oct. 28: Anne Waldman, *Kill or Cure*; Oct. 30: Deborah Tannen, Ph.D., *Talking from 9 to 5*. All events 7:30 p.m. unless noted. Free. 1491 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 486-0698.

Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore: Nov. 1: Packing demonstration with Judith Gilford. 1385 Shattuck Ave. at Rose, Berkeley. 843-3533.

GAIA Bookstore & Community Center: Oct. 28: Christina Baldwin, *Calling the Circle*; Oct. 29: Christina Baldwin, *Calling the Circle Ritual Workshop*; Nov. 1: Ralph Abraham, *Chaos, Gaia, Eros*; Nov. 3: Chellis Glendinning, *My Name is Chellis, and I'm recovering from Western Civilization*. All events 7:30 p.m. unless noted. 1400 Shattuck Ave. 548-4172.

Berkeley Hiking Club: Oct. 30: 8:30 a.m.: China Camp, call 532-6379; 9:30 a.m.: North side of Tam, mini hike, call (415) 453-4367.

First Church of Christ, Scientist: Nov. 1: Presents two lectures: "Science and Health - Help in Ending Violence," 7:30 p.m. at 2425 Stuart

St., Berkeley and "Science and Health - And Your Future," 3 p.m. at 2619 Dwight Way.

Graduate Theological Union: Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m.: Dr. Wendy Doniger will speak on "The Surpit Singh Lecture in Comparative Religious Thought and Culture. Chapel of the Great Commission, Pacific School of Religion, 1798 Scenic Ave., Berkeley. Call 649-2400.

Berkeley Folk Dancers: International folk dance lessons. Beginners class: Tuesdays, 7:45-9:45 p.m. Classes for other levels available. 1301 Shattuck at Berryman, Berkeley. Call 527-2491.

Albany YMCA: Oct. 29, 2-6 p.m.: Halloween fun house carnival. 921 Kains Ave., Albany. Call 525-1130.

Building Education Center: Nov. 3: "The Architecture of Additions," 8:12 Page St., Berkeley. Call 525-7610.

Friday Folkdancers: Meets weekly at Albany YMCA, 921 Kains Ave., Albany. 848-5289.

Vista Community College: Oct. 29, 8:30-10:30 p.m.: "Tour Coasting," travel industry workshop examines how to price group tours. 166 Barrows Hall, U.C. Berkeley.

Alliance Française: French classes begin Nov. 1. Call 548-1520.

Berkeley Community Media: Bay Cablevision Channel 25: B-TV makes debut with a series of election related programs and candidate forums sponsored by the League of Women Voters. Call 848-2288.

Berkeley Public Library: Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m.: Ghost stories for adults. 2000 Kirtridge, Berkeley.

The Buddy Club: Oct. 30: Sensational Halloween show with Magic Mike at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito. Call 215-4377.

Business Exchange Network: Nov. 2, 5:30 p.m.: "Selling Your Business Successfully," at Hobee's Restaurant, 5765 Christie Ave., Emeryville. Call 820-6084.

City Commons Club: Oct. 28, noon: "Happy Birthday, ICU" by Stefan Riesenfeld, professor of law, Boalt Hall. 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. Call 848-3533.

Vocal playshop: Oct. 29, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Singer/song writer Betsy Rose will present a workshop "Whole Body Singing." Call 525-7082.

Berkeley Child Art Institute: "The Littlest Expressionists," an exhibit celebrating the 25th anniversary of the institute features works from as back as 1971 done by children ages 3-12. Runs through Nov. 27. Oakland Mu-

seum Cafe, 1000 Oak St., Oakland. Call 849-3385.

East Bay Women Artists: "Light and Shadow," an exhibit of paintings, prints and photographs runs through Nov. 20. 2058 Mountain Blvd., Oakland.

Graduate Theological Union: "The Architecture of Light: Sacred Architecture in Istanbul, Cappadocia and the Mediterranean Coast," an exhibit featuring black and white photographs by Blaine Ellis runs through Dec. 22. 2400 Ridge Rd., Berkeley. Call 649-2500.

Phoebe Hearst Museum: "Iranians: Iranians in Los Angeles," a photography exhibit, will be on view through Jan. 2. 103 Kroeber Hall, College and Bancroft, Berkeley. Call 642-3681.

Judah L. Magnes Museum: "Breaking the Mold: Harold Paris's Legacy of Innovation" will be on view through Jan. 22. 2911 Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6950.

Nature Company: "Minerals of the World," a special exhibit and sale runs through Jan. 2, 740 Hearst Ave., Berkeley. Call 649-5488.

New Pieces: "Beyond the Block Quilts," runs through Nov. 2. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 527-6779.

NIAD Gallery: "Outrageous Costumes & Clever Disguises," an exhibition featuring the work of artists who push the boundaries of costume through creative use of materials and process, concludes on October 31 with a costume parade at 12:30 p.m. with a costume parade at 12:30 p.m.

552 23rd St., Richmond. 620-0290.

Photolab Gallery: "Luminous Apparitions," an exhibit of black and white photographs. 2235 Fifth St., Berkeley. Runs through Nov. 30.

Richmond Art Center: Nov. 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: A pot luck and artists' dialogue with the artists of The Beauty Project. "Measuring Up" runs through Nov. 13. Civic Center Plaza, 25th and Barrett, Richmond. Call 620-6772.

University Lutheran Chapel: "Works of Judith Nilsson Spiegel" will be on view through Nov. 4. 2425 College Ave., Berkeley. Call 843-6230.

Weir Gallery: "Ars Longa Vita Brevis IV: Time, Mortality, Melancholy," an exhibit on themes Autumnal, runs through Nov. 18 at 1605 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Call 524-8821.

Alumni Support Group and Self-Help: "Alumni Support Group is forming. Call Dick and Patte Osterstad at 524-4063.

Albany Home Schooling Support Group: Second and fourth Wednesdays, 4 to 5:15 p.m. sponsored by Center for Independent Living. American Sign Language interpreters available. Big Room, St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 841-4776 voice; 848-3101 TDD.

Educational hotlines for experiencing impotence <http://www.contra Costa.org>

Group: Call (800) 533-7378.

Partners of Survivors of Anonymous: Also for persons who are multiple victims and of ritual abuse.

Tuesdays at 8 p.m., Mandana, 541 Mandana, Oakland. 8844.

Secular Organizations for Equality meets Mondays and Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in Berkeley at 808 Aquatic Park, 814-2221.

Tilden Health & Healing: Single parent support group bi-monthly, Thursdays; Following Your Bliss meets every day; This is Your Life: A List of Seniors meets bi-monthly; Monthly Friday-Nights. Call Bonnie Bell at 252-0312, 401 Grove Blvd., Berkeley.

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The YMCA offers options for teens

From sports to leadership programs to volunteer opportunities, the YMCA is committed to supporting teens.

We all know that teenagers today face more challenges than ever. The media reminds us almost daily.

At the Downtown Berkeley YMCA, teens find a safe place where they can face those challenges and get support in making the right choices. Through a variety of teen programs, they test their independence knowing that they have a "net" of caring adult leaders to catch them if needed. They learn to be leaders and to respect themselves and others, and they build the self-esteem they need to navigate the passage from childhood to adulthood.

We don't often get to hear the good stories about teens: how they are making the right choices or reaching out to make a difference in the lives of others. But those good stories are out there.

Meet Danielle Roger. Danielle, now 17 and a senior at El Cerrito High School, has participated in many YMCA programs over the years, both as a participant and as a volunteer.

"The Downtown Berkeley YMCA has been a second home to me since I was three years old. Over the past 14 years I have had the opportunity to participate in many of their programs. As a result, I feel I have grown spiritually, mentally and physically.

The summer I turned 16 I became a summer sports camp counselor... I not only taught specific sports to the children, I taught them responsibility and respect for themselves and others. I feel I really made a difference in "my" kids' lives.

I feel this program has rewarded me in so many ways. The sports camp helped



Downtown Berkeley YMCA Summer Sports Camp leader Danielle Roger with some of her campers (top) and in a rare moment alone (right).

me reach further toward my goal of being a teacher. The one thing I have to realize from this program is that being isn't about dictating, it's about doing.

Currently I am involved in the Youth Government program for the second year and I am the president of our delegation. In February, 1,500 students from around the state (including students from Alameda and South Berkeley YMCA branches) will travel to Sacramento to take part in the Assembly, the Senate, and the State Board of Education.

The YMCA has influenced me in many ways. I have many goals for the future. The "Y" has helped me start my journey.

No matter what teens are up against, the Downtown Berkeley YMCA plans to be there for them with caring, supportive leaders and programs that help them to grow.



The Downtown Berkeley YMCA at 2001 Allston Way. For information call (510) 848-9622.

NO on 187

East Bay Health Workers Agree: 187 will compromise the health of all Californians

The undersigned doctors, nurses, clinic staff, medical technicians, physician assistants, health educators, health administrators and alternative health practitioners agree that Proposition 187 is a threat to the health and well-being of all Californians.

If Prop 187 passes, health care providers will be forbidden by law to provide services to any persons *suspected* of being in violation of immigration laws. Prop 187 also forces health workers to act as immigration agents, spending precious time and resources reporting *suspected* undocumented immigrants—often in direct conflict with their oath of client confidentiality.

One of the most serious consequences of 187 is that contagious diseases, such as measles, polio and tuberculosis can spread through the general population without regard to immigrant status. To deny preventive care and vaccinations to immigrant children is to put all of the public's health at risk. Persons with serious and communicable health problems will not seek medical attention because of their fear of deportation.

Join us in opposing Prop 187 and protect the civil liberties and public health of all Californians.

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El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

By Sewall Glinternick



Dogs by Dianne owner Dianne Humphrey is welcomed to chamber membership with a plaque from Chamber President Rena Burton and Mayor Jane Bartke.

Dogs by Dianne newest chamber member

Every dog needs some sort of grooming.

That's the view of Dianne Humphrey — and she should know what she's talking about.

Dianne, one of the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce's newest members, is owner-operator of Dogs by Dianne at 7514 Fairmount Ave.

A Certified Master Groomer, she has been in the pet grooming business for 22 years. She got her start in Virginia working as an apprentice to a woman who showed poodles. She managed a grooming shop in Albany and owned and operated her own shop in Pinole before moving to her El Cerrito location almost three years ago.

With a broad background of industry-sponsored grooming certification classes and private studies with people who show animals, Dianne doesn't believe in speedy "clip jobs."

"I take a lot of time with each animal," she explains, "to make sure

they are comfortable and not afraid."

The average grooming session at Dogs By Dianne runs from three to four hours. In addition to being groomed, each animal gets their ears cleaned, nails clipped, a flea bath and a second shampoo.

This makes it necessary to do all grooming work by appointment.

She points out that grooming is good for all dogs — not just show animals.

"Every dog — even ones with short hair — can use grooming," says Dianne. "Occasionally they all need a flea bath, need to have their nails clipped, and should have loose hair removed. You save a lot of vacuuming that way."

Dogs By Dianne is more than just a grooming shop. It contains a lot of unique and unusual dog and cat items.

There's a selection of Wild Bryde jewelry, dog and cat greeting cards and toys, gift items for pets, and an assortment of beautiful illustrated

dog and cat floor mats.

In addition to promoting a rush of business activity here, the mid-October El Cerrito Fall Round-Up Sale also produced a substantial sum of money to finance Chamber of Commerce activities for the coming year.

Credit for the success of this event goes — in large part — to the editorial and production staff of Hills Publications and to advertising representative James Hilburn.

Thanks also go to the following business people who participated in the Round-Up promotion:

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State constitutional committee examines layers of government

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — A "rather quiet" League of California Cities conference last weekend had one exciting high note, said Mayor Jane Bartke, who served as a voting delegate. The State Constitutional Revision Committee listened to League input for three hours — and they really seemed to listen.

Fourteen of the 27-member committee attended, said Bartke, who believes that is encouraging in itself. But the committee's openness was most impressive.

"It's obvious that the committee is still in the learning process," she said. "They asked many questions; I felt good about the tone and the content of the questions they asked. They showed they'd already put time and thought into (the issues) and are still open to listening."

The cities had definite things they wanted the committee to hear.

For one thing, said Bartke, the League wanted to show the state representatives how many layers of government can exist in one community.

Bartke felt Walnut Creek's city manager, Don Brumbaugh, did a great job illustrating that fact. In his talk, she said, he used overheads showing

the different cities in Contra Costa County, the special districts, the county itself. In laying them all on top of each other, the screen turned black, she said.

There are over 400 cities in California and over 12,000 special districts — from small ones, like the Kensington Fire District, to major agencies like EBMUD and BART.

"If you're digging in your backyard near the Bay and come across a creek ... you may have to contact 10 or 12 agencies to get permission to dig around it," Bartke said. "You might tend to think, 'I'll just call the city,' but it's much more complicated than that."

Developers have to deal with that all the time."

Such complicating levels means voters have long lists of candidates they may never have heard of for a variety of government positions.

The League also wanted to show the committee what different tax situations cities face: some get more sales taxes, some more property taxes. Some have suffered more property tax loss than others because of turnover.

Financial advisers, she said, gave good presentations on those issues, including statistics on how cities fees for cars.

Bartke has worked on the same issues as a member of ABAG's Legislative and Government Organization Committee. That group has submitted a report to the state committee, which will go through a process of about 1 1/2 years before making its own recommendations.

The League, said Bartke, doesn't necessarily know how it might be done but would like to see the state look at the whole picture and perhaps devise a way of doing things differently.

"We need to take a new look at taxes and funding," she said, adding that an up-front approach is also needed.

"Property tax doesn't go to support property services any more," she said. "When the tax began, that's what it was for."

Now, she said, only about 14 percent of a person's property taxes comes back for those services, though the taxpayer may not realize it. The mayors believe that taxes that will go to the state should be designated that way so that taxpayers will know where their money is going, as with gas taxes or license fees for cars.

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Mayor returns after vacation

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Recent media reports that the city's mayor had disappeared without a trace last week appear to have been greatly exaggerated.

"I was out of town for a long weekend," said Mayor Mike

Brodsky who returned home from a sojourn 90 miles south in time for the big Measure F debate Tuesday night.

City hall officials would offer no explanation for a newspaper report which appeared over the weekend saying that the mayor had left town

El Cerrito DMV reopens Nov. 1

The El Cerrito DMV, closed since July 1 for renovation and repairs, will reopen Tuesday, Nov. 1.

The office is located at 6400 Manila Ave. and will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 8 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Oakland DMV office at 5300 Claremont Ave., which had been handling the customers who normally would have used the El Cerrito office, ended its Saturday service Oct. 22 and will return to its usual business hours Oct. 31.

Most vehicle registration transactions can be processed through the mail.

It is recommended that those customers who need to visit the El Cerrito office make an appointment by calling 235-9171.

Classes offered at 'Open House' senior center

"The Open House" Senior Center is sponsoring a series of financial planning seminars to be facilitated by Terry Jakes. Seminars are on Wednesdays: Nov. 2, Trusts, Wills, and Power of Attorney for

Health Care; Nov. 9, Managing Change; Nov. 16, Additional Information, follow-up discussion of other seminars; and Nov. 23, Closure of Class.

All sessions will be held at the

center, 6500 Stockton Ave., El Cerrito. Please call 215-4340 to register. The suggested donation is \$2 per session — El Cerrito residents, and \$2.50 per session — non-residents.

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Obituary**Miriam Ylvisaker**

Miriam Ylvisaker, a writer and editor who lived in Kensington, died of a stroke on Aug. 3.

At the time of her death, Ms. Ylvisaker was an editor for the University of California's Berkeley National Writing Project and the National Center for the Study of Writing and Literacy. As a teacher at Oakland High School, she joined the first Bay Area Writing Project in 1974 and, over the years, contributed articles to the project's publications and edited its newsletters and books.

Most recently, in 1993, she edited *Teachers' Voices: Portfolios in the Classroom* with Mary Ann Smith. She was also the author of

short stories and articles that appeared in journals and magazines.

Born in Madison, Wis., in 1927, Ms. Ylvisaker was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, where she also received a master's degree in library science. She worked as a librarian in the Richmond Public Library before becoming a teacher and later earned a master's degree in creative writing at San Francisco State.

Having contracted rheumatoid arthritis at the age of 10, Ms. Ylvisaker became increasingly disabled over the years.

Her most recent article on her disability, which appeared in *The Progressive* after one of several operations to repair her fragile bones, told of coping with the prob-

lems of home care, of the exploitation of women hired as home aides, and of the terror of being completely disabled.

The article ended in the spirit with which Ms. Ylvisaker faced her physical disability every day: "Yes-

terday in the evening, after swim-

ming earlier that day, I walked —

hobbled — from the kitchen table to the door without using walker or crutches. Once again, I have made it through four seasons."

She is survived by a sister, Lois Ylvisaker Kroner, a sister-in-law, Yvonne Ylvisaker, six nephews, and a niece.

A memorial service was held on Sunday, Sept. 25, in the Fireside Room of the First Unitarian Church of Berkeley.

An explosive visit to Costa Rica



Community Folk

By Clara-Rae Genser

We were standing under the Arenal Volcano, changing from our lovely, air-conditioned bus to the rickety school bus that would carry us down rocky, bumpy, winding lanes and across five rivers to Arenal Vista Lodge, when there was a sudden roar, and Arenal erupted with a growl and a great puff of smoke. Cameras were in hand instantaneously, amid shouts of excitement, and only one woman was heard to cry, "Let's get out of here!"

What a great welcome to the volcanoes of Costa Rica. Of course, during the next two days such occasional eruptions became quite ordinary (how blasé can you get?). At night the red glow and some red lava dripping from the crater stirred our hearts.

Three volcanoes later we climbed our way to the spot above the Poas Volcano and looked down into a fantastic moonscape: a huge crater of wonderful shapes, colored by the fire and brimstone of volcanic eruptions, glittering in the sun, and in the center the bubbling, broiling, steaming liquid. An incredible sight and, we are told, one that is rarely seen, as the crater is usually encased in dense clouds.

But our visit to Costa Rica was more than volcanoes. It was spent in a tropic world full of wonderful and fabled creatures: birds flying and darting about showing scarlet, deep yellow, blues, greens, and even purple markings. Butterflies, from tiny to huge, iridescent, colorful, heartstopping beauty. In fact, there are 849 species of birds in Costa Rica, and 16,000 butterfly species. Dedicated bird watchers in our group counted almost 100 sightings, while I, very poor at finding them, cried out with joy at the sight of a real tucan, a green backed heron, cormorants hippy hopping their way across the water, white egrets and blue herons taking off with such beauty and grace, and even the hawks and vultures, riding the winds, wings wide and still — and more. So much more.

Traveling with Elderhostelers is a joy. We are past the age of caring about appearances. Enthusiasm, excitement, curiosity, are the mothers' milk of our travels. Every new experience, every change of scene, every drop of new information stirs us and excites us.

So awakening to the sound of howler monkeys at 5 in the morning, the sight of hordes of parakeets and parrots scolding their way from tree to tree, watching those same howler monkeys and spider monkeys pose on a tree limb, then suddenly jump to another nearby tree, was sheer joy to all of us.

A sloth visited our lodge at Selva Verdi one evening, hanging from a nearby tree branch, and slowly eating the green leaves below, impervious to our exclamations and cameras. An agouti — a cat-sized rodent with no tail — strolled beside our path for awhile. Frogs from bull frog to the tiny, red "poison dart" frogs. Someone would set up a cry and everyone would crowd around to the spot to marvel at the creature.

And the plants. Tropical plants that we see only as carefully tended house plants growing wild in

cloud forest, rain forest or dry forest. Blossoms of such color and texture as dreams are made of. From tiny, skinny ones to huge trunked, wide umbrellas. Many of them are covered with epiphytes growing on trees taking no nourishment from the tree, but sometimes adding nutrients. A beautiful sight. In the rain forest you do see trees supporting parasitic vines that you know will kill them.

One man showed us the items he made using long vines that hang from the trees: baskets, hats, animals. Interesting.

But in addition to nature, Costa Rica is an amazing country. Thanks to then-president Carmona, the UN established the University for Peace there and nearby the Radio for Peace International. The environment are of utmost importance. A favorite T-shirt shows the Air Force: flight, wonderful, colorful birds; the Navy: fabulous reptiles and fish; and the Army: monkeys and various beasts of all kinds. Costa Rica has no military, of course, President Arias received the Nobel Prize not long ago.

Reforestation is everywhere. We visited a tree nursery where they are proving that the country can be reforested with native trees. Experiments stations abound, to improve the ways of growing and handling the bounty of nature.

We passed miles of coffee plantations, hills full of plastic-covered fern grown for export, hillsides dotted with orange squash that is planted and becomes squash plants; sugar cane, of course. We visited a banana processing plant where we were saddened to see some of the harsh labor conditions but interested in the care for the environment and plants.

A women's cooperative called MUSA (Women United of Sarapiqui) grows medicinal plants to the nearby native peoples who have no doctor available. The story of their beginnings and difficulty was heart-wrenching, but they continue and the movement is growing.

A country of beauty, contrast, and fascination working hugely to improve itself and the world.

My friend and I stayed an extra day to raft the wildest rivers I have experienced — a river is threatened by dams. It was a wild and wonderful end to a very wonderful visit to the amazing country that is Costa Rica.

Please continue to communicate with me. Send your suggestions for interesting people, events, organizations, etc., to me at 555 Pierce St., #40, Albany 94706, or call 525-4585.

Parent assistance urged for Homecoming

By Virginia Behm
Albany High School
Principal

Homecoming for Albany High School this year is rapidly approaching. Friday, Nov. 4, will bring to a close the many student activities celebrating this special occasion. The Albany High School administration wants to ensure that Homecoming '94 is a positive experience for Albany High School students and the community.

Among the many Homecoming activities is Friday's Spirit Parade, which features student-constructed class floats. It is important for all to

know that the float construction process occurs in private residences and is not an Albany High School-sponsored event. Traditionally, this activity has been a positive, creative, and rallying experience for class pride and camaraderie.

Unfortunately, some students have used this Homecoming tradition to disrupt the community and perpetuate malicious mischief against other students or personal property. The Albany Police and the Albany High School staff are committed to preserving a safe environment for both students and the pride they should feel for their school.

of our parents. Night egg-throwing and water balloon fights are not activities associated with either the float construction process or any other school-sponsored Homecoming event. Such activities will not be tolerated.

We ask you as parents to assist us in keeping our students out of harm's way and in making Homecoming '94 the grand and special event we can all be proud of ... free of incidents that damage our community or endanger our students and the pride they should feel for their school.

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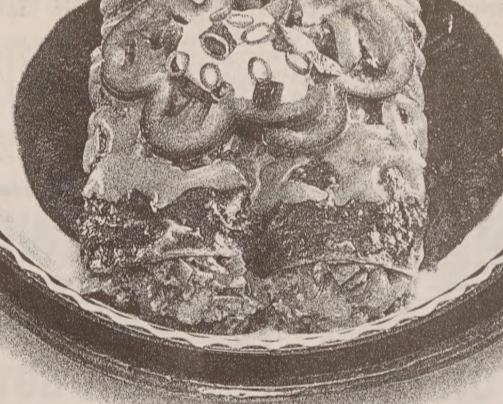
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Gun wielding restaurant thief escapes with cash

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — At about 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 20 a man entered a restaurant on the corner of Solano and San Pablo avenues, approached the counter, displayed a black firearm and demanded money from the cash register. When the clerk did not respond fast enough the robber went partially behind the counter and took the remaining cash from the register. He then calmly departed and was seen fleeing west on Solano Avenue. The thief was described as an Hispanic male in his 20's, five feet three inches tall, weighing 130 pounds, with jet black hair, slicked back, brown eyes, wearing a gray sweat shirt and dark black framed glasses. Police have reviewed the video tape and are investigating.

* At 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 16 officers responded to complaints of juveniles making loud noise near Terrace Park. Officers found six teens, boys and girls ages 14, 15, and 16, being noisy. They were told to stop the noise and move on, which they did.

At 9:45 p.m. officers were again called regarding a noise complaint on the 1100 block of Neilson Street and found the same group. They were again told to stop the noise and move on. They agreed, but before one of the boys dropped his pants and mooned the officer. No action was taken as the teens began to leave the area.

The officers were called a third time at 10:30 p.m. regarding noise at Marin School. Officers found the same group engaged in a pillow fight in the courtyard of the school and causing foam from the pillows to spill over the yard. The teens were transported to the Albany Station and their parents were called and apprised of the situation. They were requested to pick up their children which they did.

* Between 4 p.m. on Oct. 14 and 7 a.m. on Oct. 17 unknown vandals used white and black marking pens to write graffiti on several doors and windows at Marin School. There were no witnesses.

* Unknown vandals used blue spray paint to paint graffiti on a business on Tulare Street near

Solano Avenue between 6 p.m. on Oct. 15 and 5 p.m. on Oct. 16. There were no witnesses.

* On the night of Oct. 17 Albany Police were notified by Oakland Police that they had found a 1984 Chevrolet Camaro that had been reported stolen from Albany. It was not stripped and the plates were not missing. They did not have any suspects in custody. The owner was notified.

* At about 2 a.m. on Oct. 18 Albany Police were notified that a 1982 Datsun 280ZX, which was reported stolen from the 1100 block of Brighton Avenue on Aug. 22, was found in Kensington. The car had different plates but was not damaged or stripped. There is no suspect in custody. The owner was contacted and the car was released to him.

* An Albany man reported being approached by a black male adult who asked him for the time while he was walking on the 800 block of Solano Avenue at about 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 18. The suspect then ordered the man to lie on the sidewalk while he appeared to be holding a weapon in his right hand under his jacket. When the victim complied, he was ordered to give up his wallet and keys. The suspect was last seen running north on the 800 block of Polk Street. Police are investigating.

* On the afternoon of Oct. 18 officers responded to reports of a man walking on the 1300 block of Solano Avenue while naked. Officers found the man was indeed naked and was talking rapidly and incoherently. He was taken into protective custody and transported to the Albany Station. Berkeley Mental Health was notified and responded. He was transported to a medical facility without incident.

* During the early morning hours of Oct. 19 Albany Police found a 1985 Olds Cutlass parked on the 1100 block of 8th Street which had been reported stolen from Berkeley on Oct. 16. The right rear window was broken out and the steering column had been pried. It was towed and the owner was notified.

* On the morning of Oct. 19 a Point Richmond man was contacted

at Washington and San Pablo avenues and found to have \$5,000 in outstanding warrants from Oakland. He was processed without incident.

* Officers stopped an Oakland man when they observed him driving erratically and then involved in a dispute with another driver on the afternoon of Oct. 19. The man gave officers another person's drivers license (which had been stolen) and tried to convince officers he was this other person. He was arrested and his vehicle was impounded. The vehicle was found to be stolen from Walnut Creek and the plates belonged to another car. Plates stolen from Berkeley were found inside the car. The driver was also found to have two outstanding warrants from Oakland. He was charged accordingly and held for appearance in the Berkeley/Albany Municipal Court on Oct. 20.

* Officers observed a San Francisco man sleeping on a bus bench at Solano and San Pablo avenues at about 3 a.m. on Oct. 20. While doing a welfare check the man was found to have outstanding warrants from San Francisco and BART. He was arrested without incident.

* At about 4:30 a.m. on Oct. 20 officers found evidence that indicates someone has been using delayed incendiary devices to start brush fires in the Albany Hill area. They are investigating.

* Officers responded to the area of Sonoma and Tulare streets on reports of two juveniles throwing newspapers that were lit on fire into yards at about noon on Oct. 20. Officers found two 12-year-old Berkeley boys on the east side of Marin School holding a burning newspaper. They apologized for not thinking and for playing with fire. They were admonished for their behavior and sent on their way.

* While walking to school on the morning of Oct. 21 a 12-year-old Albany girl was grabbed on the right shoulder by an attacker who then produced a knife and placed it at her throat. When she told her attacker that she didn't have any money, he punched her in the ribs and ran away. Police are investigating.

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El Cerrito man confesses to Big 5 bush fi

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An El Cerrito man admitted to setting juniper bushes on fire in the Big 5 Sporting Goods lot at 11:15 p.m. Oct. 6.

* 7-Eleven was robbed at about 8:12 p.m. Oct. 22. A Richmond man is accused of brandishing a knife at the clerk and demanding cash from the register. The suspect fled but was later arrested by BART police.

* A Pinole man reported that a passenger in a nearby vehicle brandished a pistol at him. The incident occurred at B and Behrens Street at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 14.

* A San Pablo man was arrested after he picked up \$40 dropped by a woman in the grocery store and refused to return it. The incident occurred at 11:35 p.m. Oct. 22.

* Five male juveniles were detained by BART police on the afternoon of Oct. 20; they were accused of spraypainting columns along the BART trail.

* Field Management at El Cerrito Plaza was burglarized between Oct. 1 and 3. The person who entered using a key destroyed equipment and vandalized the office with paint, causing extensive damage.

* Cash was reported stolen from a desk in a locked room at the Music Works during the night of Oct. 10.

* In the 6800 block of Portola Drive, a Richmond male juvenile was arrested for smashing a residential window in an attempt to gain entry at about 8:38 a.m. Oct. 18, then pouring gas in a rear shed.

* The same juvenile is accused of entering an unlocked garage in the 6600 block of Eureka Avenue Sept. 15, taking golf clubs and balls, and starting a fire.

* In other residential burglaries, bikes were taken from garages in the 1900 block of Junction Avenue at 2:30 a.m. Oct. 18 and the 2500 block of Tassajara during that night.

* Between Oct. 8 and 11, someone stole a trailer from the 2700 block of Tulare Avenue.

* Four motor vehicle thefts were reported. A 1988 Plymouth Voyager mini-van was taken from the 5900 block of Hill Street during the daytime Oct. 10; a 1981 Chevy Monte

Carlo was taken from the lot of Del Norte Place during the night of Oct. 13.

* In acts of vandalism, a cassette player top was slashed in the block of Yolo Avenue during the night of Oct. 18. In the 1800 block of Alva Avenue during the evening of Oct. 17, someone punctured a cement block through a window but was evidently off when the block hit the wheel and set off the horn.

* A tire was slashed in the block of Belmont Street during the evening of Oct. 16; two tires were punctured in the 6500 block of Fairmount Avenue during the night of Oct. 7.

* Someone opened the tire of a vehicle during the night of Oct. 7, causing all the tires to fail.

* A Richmond male juvenile was arrested on the morning of Oct. 6 for throwing rocks at a vehicle in the 1500 block of Madeline Oct. 12.

* A sweatshirt was taken from Cougar Field while the owner was jogging between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sept. 25.

* An unlocked bike was taken from a rack at the Community Center during the daytime Oct. 12.

* A San Pablo man and woman were arrested at Potrero Eastshore Boulevard at 2:30 a.m. Oct. 2 for possession of methamphetamine for sale and a handgun.

* Shoplifting arrests were made at the Wharehouse (a San Francisco man), at Target (an Oakland juvenile), and at the Emporium (Oakland women and an El Cerrito man).

* At the Pet Food Express men were seen loading a dog into a truck, then driving away at 4:50 p.m. Oct. 7.

* A gun, wallet and glasses turned in to the lost and found

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In the Game



By Peter Mentor

Coming of age

This is a coming-of-age column and there are no better places to start than Albany girls' volleyball and Berkeley football.

Last year the Cougars were a young team of seven very talented freshmen, and the only thing missing was varsity experience. This year as sophomores and with the addition of O'Dowd transfer Katie Akana, the Cougars are unstoppable.

Albany pulled off what was considered an upset in the first week of the season by knocking off Bishop O'Dowd, the first time that's been done since 1991.

On Tuesday Albany proved that win was no fluke by beating previously undefeated El Cerrito to win the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League regular-season championship.

In beating O'Dowd and El Cerrito, the Cougars have shown the future is now for this still young team. It's scary to think they will be like next year with 11 of 12 players coming back.

This is a team literally coming of age. Seven sophomores will be seven seniors two years from now, making this year look like the groundwork for something really big.

Albany has matches against Kennedy and St. Elizabeth left, so the Cougars should go undefeated in the ACCAL on the way to the No. 1 seed in the North Coast Section Division IV playoffs.

Another coming of age team is Berkeley football. Berkeley's 39 victory over Antioch shows a team that is not only improved from last season, but is a legitimate playoff contender. Of course, Berkeley's unshakable loss to De La Salle the week before shows the Dons are no match for a team that caliber, yet, but no one has beaten the Spartans in the last 33 tries.

When Antioch played De La Salle close, it was a statement to the rest of the Bay Valley Athletic League that the Panthers were a good team and could probably take second or third in the league. So much for my predictions. I thought Antioch was going to crush Berkeley and I'll gladly eat my words to see the Jackets rise to 4-0 overall.

Getting to the North Coast Section playoffs will take some work because of the strength of the teams in the BVAL. Berkeley needs at least one win, two should get the Jackets to NCS and the post-season.

The Panthers have three games starting this Friday night at Alameda (2-2 league, 3-4 overall). The Pirates' two league wins are over the two worst teams in the league, and if Berkeley wins that game and Alameda Vista loses to De La Salle, the Panthers could be tied for second place in the league.

Next Friday Berkeley comes home for Senior Parent's Day and the parents should go home happy after Berkeley crushes Fremont Valley. If the Panthers win that game, they don't have to go to North Coast. The final game Nov. 11 against Alameda Vista could be for second place in the BVAL and an automatic berth in the NCS.

Unlike Berkeley, Albany football is a team that has vastly improved over last year, but has yet shown it is ready to play the big boys.

The 323 runners were split into two age groups of 3rd- to 5th-

Cougar volleyball: Bold, brash—and best in ACCAL

By Peter Mentor

If you want to have a truly frightening experience, get on the other side of the volleyball net against Albany, a girls' team with serious attitude.

That angry little guy plastered on pickup truck windows with the words "No Fear" comes to mind when this team takes the court.

They are young and brash, fearless in the face of whatever the opponent has to offer. The Cougars are a team that expects to win and they do.

"We have an attitude and I like it," said Albany sophomore Katie Akana, who was fired up the entire match. "A lot of teams don't like us very much because when we get fired up we're not afraid to let them know it."

Tuesday night Albany showed absolutely no fear, beating previously undefeated El Cerrito 3-1 to overcome the last real hurdle in the way of the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic league regular-season title.

The victory in Albany brought the Cougars to 10-0 in the ACCAL, 15-0 overall with two matches left

against some league basement dwellers.

El Cerrito "slipped" to 7-1 in the ACCAL, 10-2 overall for second place in the ACCAL. The Gauchos are in line to play Bishop O'Dowd in the league semifinals for the right to face Albany in the ACCAL playoff finals for the other half of the league title.

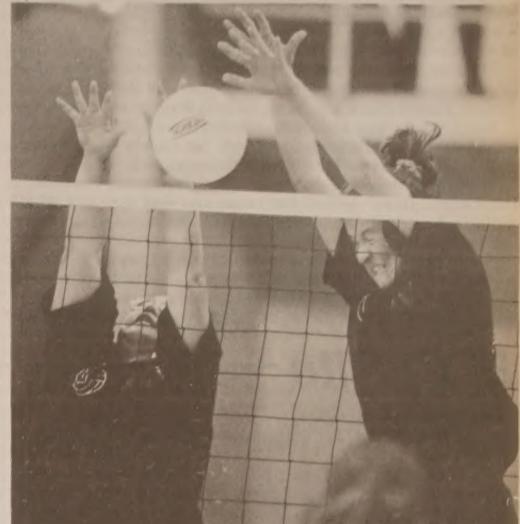
It's easy to see why this match had all the importance of a championship bout, even though there is still one week left in the season.

El Cerrito had just come off its biggest win ever after beating O'Dowd 3-2 last Thursday in an extraordinary match where the Gauchos had taken the first two games, then lost the next two against the Dragons to force a fifth game.

In the final game El Cerrito missed four chances at match point. O'Dowd actually had match point in its grasp but was thwarted when El Cerrito senior Sarah Bjeldanes blasted a match-saving 10-footer for the side out.

The Gauchos came back on a pair of aces by Japanese exchange student Noriko Sakashita to set

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El Cerrito's Sarah Bjeldanes (right) blocks a spike. (Left is Karen Mioki) In last week's O'Dowd game. Jeff Lindquist

Gauchos crush Mt. Diablo El Cerrito holds slim chance of division title

By Peter Mentor

El Cerrito made Homecoming Night a happy one by beating the daylights out of Mt. Diablo 47-0 in non-league action Friday night El Cerrito.

If ever there was a time to be coming around for the second half of the season, this is it. The Gauchos (1-2 league, 3-4 overall) hold a slim chance of winning the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League Stone Division title and with it a trip to the North Coast Section playoffs. It will take a miracle finish and some help from Albany for that to happen. First off, El Cerrito needs to beat St. Mary's, Albany and De Anza in the next three weeks. Then, Albany has to beat St. Mary's in the final game of the regular season. If that happens, if El Cerrito pulls off three wins over the division leaders and the four contending teams finish tied at 4-2 in the division, then the Gauchos would win the Stone Division and go on to the NCS post-season playoffs. El Cerrito faces division

leader St. Mary's in Berkeley this Saturday (1:30 p.m. kickoff). Next Friday the Gauchos are away at nearby Albany (3:30 p.m.). The team returns home for the season finale against De Anza Nov. 11.

Even if the Gauchos do not win them all, they can still play the spoiler by eliminating any team they beat, and nothing would suit this team more than to win the last three games against three of the best teams in the league.

St. Mary's (4-0 league, 6-1 overall) is the toughest team in the league this season, so if the Gauchos want respect, the place to do it on the Panthers' home turf.

Albany (2-1 league, 4-1 overall) and De Anza (3-1 league, 4-3 overall) played last week, with the Dons dismantling the Cougars 47-35 to tighten the divisional race. Those teams know the Gauchos are coming around after a slow start, which is bad news

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Elementary school students from around the East Bay — 323 of them — competed last week's championships. Jeff Lindquist

Young harriers race in Oakland

The Oakland Diocese Catholic Youth Organization cross country program came to a close Friday night in the Championship Meet at Joaquin Miller Park in Oakland.

Twenty-three teams from elementary schools in El Cerrito, Berkeley, Oakland, Piedmont and as far away as Fremont and Pleasanton converged on Woodminster Meadow to run the 1-mile course for the title this season.

The 323 runners were split into two age groups of 3rd- to 5th-

graders and 6th- to 8th-graders in separate races for boys' and girls' teams. Team scoring in the four races was based on a minimum three runners per team per division and the winner and runner-up in each division received a banner.

Members on the top five teams were awarded ribbons and the first 20 individual finishers in each race also got ribbons.

Included in the races were local teams from St. Joseph and the School of Madeleine in Berkeley, and St. Jerome and St. John the

Baptist in El Cerrito.

The best local female finisher was Veronica Shivers from St. Joseph Berkeley, who placed third among girls in the 3rd-5th grade division in 7:33.84.

Ryan Torres from St. Jerome School in El Cerrito also made it into the Top 10 by finishing eighth out of 73 boys in the boys 6th-through 8th-grade division. Torres ran the course in 6:25.20.

Here are the results for each division including the top five

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BHS defense effort stifles Antioch High

By Scott Kaplan

Even though Berkeley won five of its first six games, it took last Saturday's 29-8 win over Antioch to solidify the notion that yes, the Jackets are for real.

The home victory over the Panthers, ranked 15th in the state, clinches a winning season for the Jackets. Berkeley now is seriously in the hunt for a potential north Coast Section 3A bid.

"I think this is Berkeley's biggest win in the last 10 years," said Jacket assistant coach John Gradwohl. "We needed to prove that we could play in our league and play against a high quality team in our league, and Antioch's right there."

It wouldn't take a Rhodes scholar to figure out that defense was Berkeley's key to victory. Quite simply the Jackets were stifling, limiting Antioch to 35 yards of total

offense.

Panther quarterback Perris Verduzco was terrorized, getting sacked six times while tossing three interceptions. Verduzco completed 4 of 15 passes for 68 yards.

'I think this is Berkeley's biggest win in 10 years'

—JACKET ASSISTANT COACH JOHN GRADWOHL

The Panthers' vaunted running game also went nowhere. Standout fullback Josh Del Prado was held to 14 yards rushing, while Pittsburg transfer Tyrell Evans rushed for just 10 yards.

"In the coaching business

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St. Mary's is one step closer to NCS playoffs

By Peter Mentor

St. Mary's played half-court football last Saturday in its 45-0 shutout of Salesian, and the Panthers quietly continue to gobble up opponents in the Stone Division of the Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League.

This game was a testament to a Panther defense that only allowed the Chieftains to cross midfield once in the game, and that was to the St. Mary's 49-yard line.

The Panthers held the Dons to 10 yards rushing and 56 yards passing to completely dominate the game. St. Mary's defense accounted for three sacks, one inter-

ception and a safety that led to the final 2 points of the game.

The victory brought St. Mary's to 4-0 league, 6-1 overall with three games remaining, one of them a non-league contest against Jefferson of Daly City.

The Panthers hold their destiny: win two league games, win the division and go to the post-season. At stake here is a North Coast Section playoff berth, the reward for winning a divisional title in the ACCAL. It is well in the Panthers' grasp.

The Panthers play at home against El Cerrito (1-2 ACCAL, 3-4 overall) this Saturday (1:30 p.m.)

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Albany falls to De Anza despite plenty of yards

By Scott Kaplan

Only very keen sight could have distinguished last Friday's Albany-De Anza football game from a track meet.

In an ACCAL match-up between two teams barely in the NCS bubble, the mercurial Dons zoomed past Albany 47-35. The win improves De Anza to 4-3 overall, 3-1 in the ACCAL. Albany drops to 4-2 overall, 2-1 in the ACCAL.

Albany falls to third place in the Rock division of the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League, while the Dons move to second behind front running St. Mary's.

If you're a stat freak you probably drooled after reading the box score from last week's game.

Combined, Albany and De Anza racked up 993 yards from scrimmage. Despite losing, Albany held the edge in yards, 501-492.

For the victorious Dons, second-year coach Greg Ochs used a plethora of running backs and got great results. On the night De Anza rushed for 457 yards.

Vegas Shackelford ran for three scores, while speedy Kennedy transfer Aaron Mouton rushed for 157 yards and two touchdowns. Dee Moronkola also scored two TD's for the Dons while rushing for 112 yards.

Albany's James McKinney had perhaps his best game in an already splendid season, rushing for

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Berkeley harriers pass Liberty

By Peter Mentor

Berkeley boys' cross country won its first duel meet of the season in beating Liberty Thursday on a 3-mile course at Point Pinole.

The race was held part of a larger race of all the Bay Valley Athletic League teams.

Berkeley Sun finished 16th overall and was the first Berkeley finisher in 17:35. Sun beat Liberty's Hugo Ordaz by three seconds and that one place gave the Yellowjackets the victory.

Scott Loken, who was not feeling well before the race, was next in 18:07 in 22nd place. Liberty had the 23rd overall runner, which was another close call for the Jack-

ets in that one-point victory.

Berkeley placed two runners in before Berkeley's David Taylor (18:35) finished, but Gabriel Orozco (19:22) and Ari Houser (20:20) surrounded another Liberty runner for the win.

Both Berkeley and Liberty were incomplete for the girls' varsity race, but Phoebe Seaton placed 20th overall in 23:19.

Berkeley's junior varsity boys' team also won their race 15-50 against an incomplete Liberty squad.

Brendan Langlois finished the 2-mile course in 11:48 to place 12th overall, while Alex Kreit (12:01) placed 18th. Toby Perry

(29th, 12:15), Alan Aki (44th, 12:51), Chad Hanson (46th, 12:56), Nick DiCostanzo (69th, 14:32) and Eugene Blackwell (76th, 16:37) also ran.

At the Soquel Invitational Saturday near Santa Cruz, Sun placed 4th in the large school race, running the 2.5-mile course in 15:11. Andrew Berger, running injured, placed 77th in 16:52.

Seaton placed 106th in 20:03 in the girls' varsity race and Taylor was 22nd in 15:31 in the fresh/soph race.

Berkeley races against Antioch and Monte Vista Thursday and then gets ready for the BVAL Championships on Nov. 4.

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people always talked about defense wins championships, and offense wins games," said Jacket head coach Mike Tuiasosopo.

"Today was our day (defensively). We were not going to let up one second on Antioch. Our kids get all the credit because they responded to the challenge."

Offensively Byron Anderson and J'Juan Cherry led a corporate rushing attack with 84 and 81 yards respectively. Seven different running backs carried the ball for Berkeley, and they managed to roll up 243 yards. Aside from scoring four touchdowns, the Jacket's ground game did a fine job keeping Antioch's already anemic offense off the field. Berkeley had the ball for 30 and half minutes, compared to 17:30 for the Panthers.

Berkeley took control of the contest early, jumping out to a 20-0 lead.

On their first possession the Jackets marched 43 yards on 11 plays for the score. The drive was capped off by a Cherry 2-yard touchdown run with 6:37 left in the first quarter.

The Jacket 6-0 lead stayed that way until 3:12 remained in the second quarter. Then sophomore Devin Marti broke loose for a 21-yard touchdown run. Marti's score was set up by Cherry's second

interception on the day.

Gwangee Pittman, who's heroics in the defensive backfield sealed a win over Liberty, picked up Verduzzo pass with 1:52 on the clock. Two later, quarterback Prentice Walker was in the zone from a yard out.

Antioch got on the board in the final seconds of the first half, but the Jackets put the game away in the second.

A Cherry 10-yard touchdown run capped off a third quarter drive, and gave Berkeley a 26-8 third

The Jacket's kicking game even got into gear as Ahmed Kamara nailed a 38-yard field goal fourth quarter.

Berkeley now stands in second place at 2-1 in the Bay Valley Athletic League (6-1 overall). They trail De La Salle and Monte Vista (3-0) and Antioch, which gave De La Salle more of a than anyone has for the entire season, fall overall, 2-2 in the BVAL.

Every game in the Bay Valley Athletic League is a test, and tomorrow at 7:30 the Jackets play Pittsburg to take on the Pirates. Last week Pittsburg downed a troubled Pinole Valley squad, 21-14. Coach Hero Pardi's Pittsburg team is 3-0 overall, 2-2 in the BVAL.

El Cerrito

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for anyone who thought El Cerrito was a walkover in the division.

About a week ago El Cerrito pounded Salesian 60-8 and the big win this past week brought the Gauchos' offensive output to 107 points over the last two weeks, while allowing just 8 points on defense.

El Cerrito is led by running back Ayodele Mitchell and quarterback Charles Lovell, who combined for six touchdowns against Mt. Diablo.

Mitchell is finally reaching his potential after being one of the leading rushers in the league last year. The 5-foot-8, 180-pound senior ran 15 times for 175 yards and scored on runs of 33, 25 and 42 yards, going 100 yards on three touchdown runs.

The week before Mitchell ran for 257 yards and scored four touchdowns, giving him 432 yards and

seven touchdowns in just two games this season.

Lovell had the hot hand against Mt. Diablo, throwing 9-for-13 for 156 yards and three touchdowns, including scoring passes of 9 and 14 yards to junior wide receiver Jamaal Cotright and a 6-yard touchdown pass to sophomore Antoine Lacy.

Lovell also found sophomore tight end Donny Davis twice for 57 yards. It looks like El Cerrito could be hitting its stride late in the season.

This season may have turned out differently had El Cerrito won the close game against Encinal in the league opener. The Gauchos had a chance to win that game late in the fourth quarter, but fumbled and ended up losing 20-13.

The loss didn't seem like much then, but Encinal is now 4-0 in league, 6-1 overall. A win in that game and El Cerrito would be half a game out of first place, tied with Albany and De Anza.

Harriers—

Continued from previous page runners, the top three schools and the local schools:

In the 3rd-5th grade girls' division, Kate Chadwick of St. John's San Lorenzo won in 7:13.58 and her sister Sarah Chadwick placed second in 7:26.86, just ahead of Shivers. Jennifer Randazzo from Holy Spirit in Fremont was fourth and Zinzi Evans of St. Elizabeth in Oakland was fifth.

St. John's San Lorenzo won the 3rd-5th boys' team race with 14 points, followed by St. Theresa in Oakland (35 points) and St. Joseph Alameda (38 points).

In the 3rd-5th grade boys' division, Tavis Mason of St. Joseph Alameda won in 6:51.61 and Scotty Chromy of Holy Spirit Fremont was second in 6:59.79.

Julian Carrington was third, while Oakland locals Eddie Torres of Corpus Christi (7:12.25) was fourth and Lamarr Couttien of St. Augustine (7:12.55) placed fifth.

St. Joseph Alameda won the 3rd-5th grade boys' team race with 16 points, while Corpus Christi (24 points) and St. Augustine (28 points) placed second and third.

In the 6th-8th grade girls' race, Paula Calhoun of St. Augustine of Pleasanton won in 6:35.80, while teammate Jessica Felts was third as that team won with 12 points.

St. Joseph Alameda edged St. Augustine of Oakland by one point

to take second in the team scoring.

Ashlee Nultey of St. Joseph Pleasanton was second, while Erin Dangerfield from St. Augustine in Oakland placed fourth and Patrice Wakeley of All-Saints in Hayward took fifth.

In the 6th-8th boys' division, Travis Johnson of St. Joseph Alameda won in 6:13.46 and his teammate Alex Mason placed second in 6:17.30 to give that school the team victory at a meet low 10 points.

Brian King (6:17.89) and David Respecke (6:18.94) of St. Edwards took third and fifth to lead their team to second place (17 points), while Thomas Leroy-Munoz from Corpus Christi in Oakland took fourth place in 6:18.42, helping his team place third (20 points).

ST. JOSEPH BERKELEY

Following in Shivers' footsteps in the 3rd-5th grade division was teammate Laische Walton, who finished among the Top 15 at 8:33.57.

Also running for St. Joseph were Deminika Spears (43rd, 10:00.17), Erica Ross (44th, 10:00.62), Avani Lewis (77th), Ayesha Smith (78th), Chino Green (84th), Sara Earle (88th), and Danielle Johnson (95th).

In the boys' 3rd-5th grade race, Cleo Ross placed 20th in 7:55.48. Jamar Hooker (9:20.16) placed 52nd and Keith Thornton (9:20.86) took 54th.

In the 6th-8th grade races, Mary Walton placed 16th, running a fine 8:06.18 on the tough course.

Amanda Shivers was 30th in 8:33.30 and Tyliisha Oliver placed 63rd. For the boys, Anthony Charle placed 12th in 6:45.03. Chris Hardin (7:07.08) placed 22nd and Dannie Oliver (8:38.77) took 59th.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, EL CERRITO

St. John finished 12th overall as a team in the 3rd-5th grade girls' division led by Danielle Vincent, who ran 9:04.72 for 24th place. Clarissa Bautista (68th), Monica Drymon (85th) and Kamaiya Warren (89th) also ran.

Jackie Bryant placed 31st in 8:36.96 and Monica Shorter was 44th in 9:40.23 in the girls' 6th-8th grade division. Tahirah Thompson placed 58th.

Damon Hall placed 57th in 8:21.93 in the 6th-8th grade boys' division, while Joseph Bryant took 61st in 8:49.95 and Michael Ortiz was 71st in 9:49.90 also ran.

ST. JEROME, EL CERRITO

After Torres finished eighth in the 6th-8th grade boys' race, there was Donnie Bailey placing 19th in 6:55.59. St. Jerome could have placed as a team had there been a third scoring runner.

SCHOOL OF THE MADELEINE, BERKELEY

Colleen Finley led the 6th-8th grade girls' from this school, placing 33rd in 8:46.81, while Sharon O'Reilly was 43rd in 9:11.48. Megan Wemmer (57th), Lauren Monary (60th) and Caiti Kelly (61st) competed as well.

Nine runners came to run the 6th-8th grade boys' division and Francis Lipinski led them all by placing 25th in 7:11.28. Rob Selhorst was 27th in 7:13.19, followed closely by Chris Kunigenas in 30th at 7:16.09.

After them came Church Erdman (39th, 7:43.31), Nick Maniatas (40th, 7:43.56), Nic Thom (42nd, 7:46.21), Andre Lipinski (47th, 7:55.12), Miguel Diaz (55th, 8:17.23) and Nate Snyder (56th, 8:19.59).

St. Mary's

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p.m. kickoff), then the non-league game against Jefferson next week and finally the all-important match against Albany on a Thursday, Nov. 10.

On Friday De Anza (3-1 ACCAL, 4-3 overall) did St. Mary's a big favor by beating Albany (2-1 ACCAL, 4-1 overall), keeping the Dons and Cougars half a game out of first place.

Albany has the best shot at taking the Stone Division title from St. Mary's, but the Cougars need the Dons to lose at least one more league game if Albany is to win the division regardless of what St. Mary's does.

St. Mary's has a huge edge over De Anza because the Dons need to win their three remaining league games and have the Panthers lose their last two league games to win the division. A win by St. Mary's or loss by De Anza eliminates the Dons.

Win

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up the sixth match point of the contest and finally won it 17-15 to take the match victory and stay undefeated in league.

El Cerrito came to Albany with a lot of confidence and momentum, but the Cougars swept all that aside by playing outstanding volleyball.

Albany won the first two games 15-12 and 15-10, then lost the third game 15-4. The fourth game could have gone either way, but El Cerrito could not get over the hump.

The Cougars kept taking the lead and the Gauchos would tie it up, mostly on the hot hands of Sakashita and the all-around credible play of Bjeldanes.

The game was tied at 1, 4, 5 and 9 before Albany made its final move as Cougar junior Brook Williams served five consecutive points, including two aces to set up match point.

El Cerrito staved off one match point for another chance at the ball, but Albany sophomore fireballer Lindsay Kagawa ended a long rally by blasting one of her patented kills to set up the second match point.

Cougar sophomore Sara Ness was instrumental in the final flurry, scoring one point of a quick

set and another on the block of a shot by El Cerrito senior Nicole Nelson, who also had a fine game.

Ness was standing at the net when the ball came up perfectly to her hitting hand and she powered in the match winner on a kill down middle for the 15-9 victory.

The win put Albany at the forefront of the league, taking over from O'Dowd the reputation as the team to beat for maybe years to come.

The reason is the youth on this team. Albany has seven sophomores and four juniors, with only senior Lauren Davis graduating this year.

This is a team of destiny and one that has spunk.

At one point Libby Sanger hit a winner and Akana came over and knocked heads with her. It was a little nutty, but it gave the impression that this team is ready to knock a few heads.

"I had been telling her to use her head more," said Akana, who compared this team to the O'Dowd squad she played on last year. "It's a little younger team this year, but it's more intense."

The Cougars knew this match was important, because it gave them an automatic berth in the North Coast playoffs and a bye in the first round of the ACCAL playoffs without having to face

O'Dowd or El Cerrito in the finals.

"It feels really good," Kagawa. "It gives us a little confidence going into the off's."

Albany was a good team year, but did not beat O'Dowd in two tries and only split with El Cerrito. This year the Cougars are unstoppable and the difference is mental maturity.

"Last year we lacked confidence and focus," said Ness. "We are a young team and we have trouble staying on the court. We want to go as we can, but we only want to take it one game at a time."

Albany locked up a Northern California bid with the victory and will be seeded No. 1 in the eight teams in Division III playoffs on record regardless of how they do in the NorCal playoffs.

The playoffs should be fun for these teams and the El Cerrito and O'Dowd teams meet in the semifinals, then out when one of those two gets a rematch against the ACCAL finals.

Albany

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223 yards while hauling in three passes for 103 yards.

Quarterback Berlin Germany completed six passes for 138 yards. Germany also had 70 yards rushing and two touchdowns. Fullback Danny Wilcom had 68 yards rushing on nine carries.

"They're a good team, but they (De Anza) didn't do anything that we didn't think they were going to do," said Albany coach Anthony Freeman. "We just didn't come out playing our game."

Morokola opened up the scoring for the Dons with a 41-yard touchdown run early in the first. DeAnza then proceeded to capitalize on back-to-back Albany fumbles as Aaron Mouton and Vegas Shackelford turned in touchdowns runs of 83 and 4 yards respectively.

The Cougars were able to respond in the second, as Germany had a one yard touchdown run, followed by a 51 yarder.

After a Shackelford three-yard TD romp, McKinney narrowed the DeAnza lead to 27-21.

On second and 12 from their own 13, McKinney made a fine one-handed grab of a pass from Germany in the right flat. From then on McKinney did the rest, racing 87-yards for the touch-down.

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Letters

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through the redevelopment program. Vote Yes on Measure F Nov. 8.

W. Mac Ritz
Chair
El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency

Golden opportunity

We are writing this to urge your Albany readers to vote Yes on Measure A. Measure A provides the opportunity available for a real and dramatic improvement in the facilities provided at Albany's elementary school — Vista-MacGregor.

Measure A will allow the school district to use \$1993 bond monies to purchase land for a new middle school, which in turn will allow the district to use the present middle school as the third elementary school. Vista and MacGregor schools would be closed.

We recognize that many people have grown very fond of Vista and MacGregor over the years, and for good reason. Both schools provide a small and comfortable atmosphere that is very comforting for many young primary students (and their parents). Nevertheless, it is important to realize that both schools also have fundamental physical limitations that would not be cured no matter how much bond money is spent to improve them.

To begin with, Vista/MacGregor is a two-campus school. As such, it suffers from an administrative handicap that shouldn't have to be. The principal's office must be split between both sites, so by definition, the administrator must be absent at least half the time from one school or the other. The teachers, the staff and the principal are always trying to work around the frustrations and inconveniences caused by this unavoidable circumstance — one that would be immediately remedied with a single campus.

In addition, the library is bifurcated between the two campuses. The collection is always divided, which seriously constrains the effectiveness and quality of the resources. Half a library is better than none, but it presents a difficult situation for students and is fundamentally unfair to students. While both schools have nice, although aging, rooms, neither has the additional facilities needed to support a modern curriculum. For example, there are no multi-purpose rooms. At Vista children eat lunch on tables set up in the hallways. There is no space for assemblies at either school. Assemblies occur occasionally, but with significant difficulties. When possible, they are held outdoors, but then they are always at risk if the weather is bad.

Schools lack sufficient space to accommodate the important support programs such as reading specialist, speech and ESL (English as a second language). The district provides these spaces at Vista/MacGregor, but the spaces to which these teachers are assigned are pathetic — hardly equitable with what is available at the elementary schools.

We strongly supported the bond measure that was passed last year. While Vista/MacGregor would benefit, the fundamental deficiencies noted above could not have been corrected. A dedicated campus for Albany's third elementary school was simply not an option at that time because the Hill Lumber Company site was not available. It is, and it is, in our opinion, a golden opportunity for the district to provide equal and up-to-date facilities for all of our elementary students. Remember, we need a two-thirds majority to pass Measure A. Be sure to vote, and vote Yes.

Doug and Pat Donaldson
Albany

School support

On Nov. 8, Albany voters will be asked to vote on Measure A. If passed by a two-thirds vote, Measure A authorizes the Albany Unified School District to use funds from already approved bonds to buy land to build new school facilities. This measure does not raise taxes or increase the school bond cost.

The PTA units of the Albany Unified School District have all voted to endorse Measure A. We are concerned about the crowded classroom and hallway conditions at all our school sites. The passage of Measure A will enable the district to purchase the Hill Lumber site to build a new, modern middle school and convert the present site to a K-5 elementary school west of San Pablo Avenue. In addition, existing school sites will be renovated and seismically strengthened.

School enrollments in Albany have soared during the past decade, and this trend is expected to continue as more young families move into town. Passage of Measure A will help construct and renovate suitable and seismically-safe schools for future generations of Albany children.

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Club policy questioned

Editor:

On Sept. 1 I learned that the Sierra Club had early endorsed incumbents Pat Piras and Joe Bischofberger and at-large candidate Matt Williams for the AC Transit Board of Directors. What concerned board incumbents Clinton Killian and myself was that this process was begun in June, and we were not informed of the process, were not interviewed and received no questionnaires. Even more alarming was the fact that the endorsements were made even before the candidate's filing period opened.

On Sept. 3, I called Ruth Abbe, chairperson of the Sierra Club's political committee, and asked about the club's early endorsement policy. She stated that the political committee interviews incumbents then recommends them for endorsement as in the case with Piras and Bischofberger.

I asked how they could have endorsed Matt Williams who was running for my seat without talking to me, the incumbent. She stated that she had heard from Sierra Club member, David Tam, that I had a bad environmental voting record. I stated that was totally incorrect and I asked to express my concern to her committee.

On Sept. 6 Clinton Killian and myself, as well as candidates John Griego and Al Rocha, appeared before the Sierra Club Political Committee. I was not allowed to record the session and there were no minutes taken, but the tone of the meeting came early when committee member Becky Evan stated "we don't claim to be democratic."

We stated that the early endorsement process was flawed because it was unfair and undemocratic. We asked that it be reformed and that the three early endorsements be rescinded until all candidates had a chance to be interviewed.

When I asked Ruth Abbe again why I, as the incumbent, was not interviewed she changed her story. Now, it wasn't because of my voting record but because she had heard from Matt Williams that I wasn't a candidate. I told her that was totally false because my announcement that I wasn't running was made Aug. 11, weeks after their endorsements were made. I told the committee that I believed that their three early endorsements were based on political not environmental issues. That the respected mantle and

required to provide quite a lot if it does) What the lottery has provided for Albany's schools is a matter of record. In the 93-94 school year Lottery revenues constituted 2.65 percent of state revenues to our schools. This amounts to \$309,000, the equivalent of nearly nine teaching positions. Lottery revenues are, and continue to be an important component of the districts finances. Without it, the district's choice of what to trim would severely impact our educational program.

The magnitude of the reductions required would be like closing MacGregor School and adding those 200 students to remaining classes at other schools. Or the district could eliminate all honors level courses, school sports and what's left of the music program at Albany High. Mr. Lewis, what you consider a "swindle," I, for one, consider a substantial part of our fine educational program.

Mr. Shirar's letter is as confusing as he claims to be. Albany voters have already voted to build new school rooms. What is being requested is permission to use the Hill Lumber site and build all the needed classrooms there rather than squeezing them into every other school in the district. The old library building was never going to be used for classrooms because the cost of bringing that building up to the state's stringent seismic standards would be far more expensive than building a new building.

One plan had envisioned remodeling the old library for the district offices. The problem with this plan, in addition to using bond funds to provide offices rather than school rooms, is that the district would have to lease the building from the city. The district doesn't have the money to pay such a lease short of eliminating a teaching position.

If Measure A is approved, the old library will not be needed for offices and the city, for nine years, and then the school district can lease the building and produce revenues for needed programs. Won't it be ironic in the future, if the district can use the revenues from the old library to restore one of the school librarian positions which have been eliminated in recent years due to stagnant state funding.

And no Mr. Shirar, we will not have to pay taxes to El Cerrito. Cougar Field is wholly in the city of El Cerrito, and neither the citizens of the city of Albany nor the Albany School District has ever

Impact Study by BSI Consultants, an independent engineering firm, concluded: "In general, the traffic generated from (an 80 table) card room development will have a negligible or at most minimal impact on the intersections along Gilman Street (in Berkeley) and Buchanan Street (in Albany)."

A yes vote on Measure F will result in tremendous environmental improvements to the Albany waterfront including a waterfront park, restoration of wetlands and open space for which environmentalists have been fighting for years. That is why Assemblyman Tom Bates, author of the landmark legislation allowing the East Bay Regional Park District to create the East Shore State Park, Jean Siri, East Bay Regional Park Director, the Albany Green Party, and the Co-chairs of Citizens for the Albany Shoreline all support Measure F.

Many Measure F opponents, it would seem, are about as pro open space as the tobacco industry is committed to fighting cancer and protecting our health. Some of these "open space advocates" are the same people who openly favored the last Santa Fe-backed massive commercial development proposal for the Albany waterfront. At a recent Berkeley City Council public hearing, an official representative of the No on Measure F campaign testified that a shopping mall on Albany's waterfront would be preferable.

Ladbrooke, the operator of the race track, has a lease on this privately owned land until the year 2040. Norman LaForce and other opponents of Measure F have said that "environmentalists" had hoped the race track would eventually leave the area entirely. They urge us to believe that if Measure F is defeated, horse racing revenue might decline, and Ladbrooke and the race track might just go away. And if we wait long enough, the Bay might freeze over creating the possibility of free ice skating.

Spewing distortions and preying upon people's fears and cynicism with the intent of misleading voters and scaring them to cast a No vote is an all too common campaign tactic. I am confident that these negative campaign tactics will not work here in Albany. I urge Albany voters instead to study the facts and apply one of the greatest human assets: common sense.

Michael Feiner

Definitions vary

Editor:

English word definitions sometimes vary with the intent of the user. For example:

Recession: You are out of work.

Depression: I am out of work.

Minor financial problem: The difference between what the city takes in and what it has to pay out. In the current year this is a MINOR \$600,000. In two years it is estimated to be a MINOR \$1.2 million.

Parcel/Parcel equivalent: An example of a parcel is a single family home on a parcel of land. A duplex on a single parcel of land is two parcel equivalents. There are approximately 7,000 parcel/parcel equivalents in Albany.

Parcel adjustments: Approximately 18.5 percent of parcel owners are entitled to a tax exemption as a result of income. An additional 4.5 percent of parcel owners, on the average, are delinquent on their taxes. These factors must be included in any parcel tax adjustments.

Gambling: The mortal sin of betting for money. This does not include penny ante poker, gin rummy or other games of chance played in your home; nor does it include Bingo played in your church or social club. It also excludes buying Lotto tickets within city limits. It appears to apply only to Golden Gate Fields.

ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS

1. An Aquarium. The Monterey Aquarium is within walking distance of the Monterey Convention Center, Cannery Row and Fisherman's Wharf, together with hotels, motels, restaurants, souvenir shops and small craft bay cruises. This is a vibrant, busy, heavily used business and recreational area.

After four years of bureaucratic confusion, the new \$33 million San Francisco Aquarium is under construction. It is adjacent to Pier 39 and is within walking distance of Fisherman's Wharf, the Cannery, the Anchorage, Cost Plus' Imports, Ghirardelli Square, the Maritime Museum and Cable Cars to downtown San Francisco. It is a few hundred feet away from ferry service from Jack London Square, Alameda and Marin County.

The Albany Aquarium: It seems obvious that a lone aquarium doesn't stand much chance of success. Where is the vitality? Where do people stay? Where do they dine? Where do they shop? What else is there for them to do except for watching gridlock on 1-80 and watching a few hikers munching their Trail Mix? Nothing.

How many aquariums do we need? Who would fund it? Who would maintain and manage it? The Sierra Club?

2. \$83 parcel tax. This is inadequate to fund this year's deficit. It is totally inadequate to fund the anticipated shortfall of \$1.2 million. Deficit per parcel is estimated by the City to be: 1995: \$106 per parcel, 1996: \$148 per parcel, 1997: \$216 per parcel. \$83 is just the tip of the iceberg. Remember the Titanic!

We need more than an annual patch job on revenues. A vacant aquarium isn't going to do it. We need more child care facilities. Nearly 50 percent of my grandson's classmates are being raised by a single parent. An \$83 parcel tax isn't going to do it. We need more after school programs for kids of all ages.

We passed a bond issue for the schools last year. If there is a surplus from Golden Gate Fields revenues, could some of this money be used to defray this \$31 million indebtedness?

Public Safety personnel are underpaid. We managed a 2 percent raise this year. That doesn't even keep up with inflation. (Thank you, fire and police personnel for hanging in there with us. I hope you realize we are going to do the best for you that we can.)

Leona Helmsley said: "Only the little people pay taxes." I just received this year's County tax bill. Half of it is the tax on land and improvements. The other half is Special Assessments: City Landscape, Paramedics, Vector Control, Albany School Tax (this does not include any retirement of last year's \$31 million bond approval), Library Services, EBMUD Wetweather, East Bay Trail, Storm Runoff, City Sewer Service. This is one of the "little people" who says, "STOP!"

Vote "YES" for Measure F. It's the only game in town.

Jack Hogg

Taking a stand



paid taxes to the city of El Cerrito.

Ed McManus
Albany Unified School District
Board of Education Member

Common tactics

Editor:

President Clinton recently spoke against the Republican strategy of reciting lie after lie, each uttered with the malicious intention of preying upon people's fears and cynisms for political gain. It is unfortunate that it seems the opponents of Measure F have adopted this same strategy here in Albany.

A few examples of their pattern of negative campaign behavior include:

— Measure F does not allow a casino. The detractors of Measure F are perfectly aware that under California state law, casinos are illegal. The malicious and misleading use of the word casino seems to only be intended to conjure up the image of slot machines and unlimited forms of gambling. Measure F allows only a cardroom, with limited permissible card games, as permitted by state law. Measure F provides a forum where card players may gather to bet against each other. Unlike a casino, the do not bet against the "house," and the operators of the cardroom have no stake in whether the card players win or lose. Instead, revenue is generated by renting seats at the table to the players. Common sense dictates that people playing cards and betting against each other in the same building they have used to bet on horse races for over 50 years is not a big change.

— A yes vote on Measure F will not result in increased crime, drug use and prostitution. Detractors of Measure F make the absurdly speculative claim that drunken, angry, despondent gamblers driving our streets will likely run down our children walking to school in the morning. This would be funny if it weren't so outrageous. This has not happened in the last 50 years; why would it happen now? The opponents of Measure F cite no credible evidence that the cardroom will result in increased crime. In fact, a study from Cal State Fullerton found no association between cardrooms and crime. In the absence of evidence, the opponents of Measure F prey on people's fears.

— A yes vote on Measure F will not result in massive traffic gridlock. A recently released Traffic

School issues clarified

Editor:

Two letters in the Oct. 13 edition of The Journal response and correction.

Mr. Lewis is his letter claims, in comparing Measure F to the lottery, that the lottery provides practically no money for schools in California. What Measure F, if it passes, will do for Albany still has yet to be seen (although Ladbrooke is contractually

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■ East Bay Events

Brecht's 'Chalk Circle' at the Rep

Previews begin tomorrow for the Berkeley Repertory Theatre's production of Bertolt Brecht's 1944 play *The Caucasian Chalk Circle*. It centers around a young servant woman who saves the infant son of a fallen despot during a civil war and marries a dying man in hopes of assuring the child's survival. Rep associate artistic director Tony Taccone directs the work, which has music by Chic Street Man.

Previews are tonight, tomorrow, Sunday and Tuesday, with the opening on Wednesday. Performances thereafter are Tuesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., with matinees on alternate Thursdays and Saturdays, closing Dec. 18. Tickets are \$21.50 to \$34 (with some discounts). Call 845-4700 for reservations. The Rep is at 2025 Addison St., Berkeley.

Actors Ensemble presents McNally play

Actors Ensemble of Berkeley is presenting Terrence McNally's new play, *Lips Together, Teeth Apart*, a comedy about two straight couples who celebrate the Fourth of July in Fire Island's gay community, in a vacation retreat one of the wives has inherited from her AIDS-victim brother. The play is presented Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. at Live Oak Theatre, 1301 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, through Nov. 19 (with a Thursday performance Nov. 17). Tickets are \$8 (with some discounts). Call 528-5620.

A Renaissance Halloween concert

The Festival Consort and the Holy Oak vocal trio presents a concert titled "Things That Go Bump in the Night," a collection of Renaissance instrumental pieces and English folksongs for Halloween and the harvest season. The concert is Monday at 8 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Tickets are \$8 to \$10; call (415) 456-5367 for more details.

A samba and salsa Halloween at La Peña

La Peña Cultural Center celebrates Halloween on Saturday with a double bill of *Samba do Coração* (Samba from the Heart), a Brazilian dance and percussion company that specializes in the samba, and Siku's, an instrumental troupe that enriches its South American roots with dashes of classical music, salsa and Flamenco.

Siku's performs in concert at 8 p.m., followed by Samba do Coração's floor show and *batucada* at 10 p.m., followed by a DJ party until 1 a.m.

Admission is \$10, with prizes for the most original costumes. La Peña is at 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 849-2568.

20th-century choral works at St. Mark's

The San Francisco Choral Artists come to St. Mark's Episcopal Church at 8 p.m. Saturday for a concert of music by Ravel, Vaughan Williams, Britten, Holst, Susa, Burnham, Barber and del Tredici. Doug Wyatt conducts.

Tickets are \$8 to \$12. Call (415) 979-5779 for more details. St. Mark's is at 2300 Bancroft Way (at Ellsworth) in Berkeley.

Ballet part II: Lowe and Limon

By Ariel Parkinson

Last week we printed Ariel Parkinson's review of the first half of the program presented by Oakland Ballet at the Paramount Theatre Oct. 13 to 16. Her review of the second half—which consisted of the premiere of Michael Lowe's "Witness" and a revival of Jose Limon's "The Moor's Pavane"—was omitted due to lack of space. Here it is.

Michael Lowe's "Witness"

As a dancer, Michael Lowe is always strong and capable. As a baseball-capped, soccer-shirted teenager in his own piece, "Witness," he is breathtaking. He enters catapulting on one arm over a park bench. The air loves him. It holds him up. He wheels over the bench in a manner so smooth and easy he seems to be supported by the denser medium of water. His movements are controlled, supple, precise, piquant. With his unpredictable, lunging, "adolescent" grace, the garish costume somehow becomes suitable—"Priapus in the shrubbery," Bakst's faun.

Unfortunately, there is more to the piece than Mr. Lowe, and less: the set, the other costumes, the story, and the female roles. Julie Lowe and Lara Deans Lowe are more than competent. They have been given nothing to deliver.

"The Moor's Pavane"

Originally, with Jose Limon as Othello, Lucas Hoving as Iago, Pauline Kohner and Betty Jones as Emilia and Desdemona, Limon's "The Moor's Pavane" was, apparently, a stunning piece. The choreographic concept is raw

power—the passions of love; hate, domination, violence—held in the ordered patterns of a stately dance. As in Purcell's music, his intense lyricism pushing against a stately, ordered form, the pressure was tremendous (the English dinner party where the meal proceeds in perfect calm and courtesy; only at the end reputations have been ruined, fortunes made, the moral, not the mannered, world turned upside down).

For various reasons this did not happen in Oakland Ballet's version. Incompatible, undramatic color and old-chestnut style in costume? Uninspired and unexpressive direction of Othello and Iago? The over-dainty aspect of Desdemona, overpowered, not at the end, but from the beginning? Only Lara Deans Lowe as Emilia—who also had the best costume—projected some of the tension that those who saw it found in Limon's work as he directed and performed it. Perhaps it is time for a fresh and vigorous approach to "The Moor's Pavane." The Limon Dance Foundation's staging seems to have become largely piety.

Still and all, Oakland Ballet's second program made a good evening. The spirit, competence, and grace of every member of the company is tonic. Alonzo, Charlip, and Lowe are all "new" choreographers.

It is worth noting that Alonzo and Charlip served as successful designers as well as choreographers in their own works. Oakland Ballet has made the leap necessary for all important cultural achievement: to trust its own.



Albert Finney (center) is a bitter professor, Matthew Modine (left) a visiting American professor, and Ben Silverstone (right) an adoring student, in "The Browning Version."

'Browning' shows off Finney's mastery

■ Rattigan's tale of the retirement of a crusty professor is intelligent and heart-warming.

By Basil De Pinto

The plays of Terence Rattigan (1911-1979) are somewhat dated, but the best of them are successfully revived from time to time. Mike Figgis (director) has just made a film of *The Browning Version*, and it holds it own very well, especially due to the riveting performance by Albert Finney in the leading role.

Movies

Happily, Rattigan wrote before current academic squabbles were in fashion, and he frankly makes art hold a mirror up to nature. His story of a teacher, Andrew Crocker-Harris (Finney), about to retire from his post, is structured like one of the Greek tragedies Andrew has faithfully taught for many years.

Don't be put off if this sounds like formula writing. Rattigan is savvy enough to avoid mere mechanical parallels, and Ronald Harwood's screenplay makes the principal characters credible in a contemporary setting.

Principal among the technical devices of the script is the use of a schoolboy, Taplow (Ben Silverstone), to act as a kind of choragic figure: he is somewhat off to one side of the action, commenting on it by his lively presence and soulful dark eyes.

Taplow's involvement in the action centers on the farewell gift he makes to Andrew, a second-hand copy of Robert Browning's translation of a favorite play of his teacher's, the Agamemnon of Aeschylus. Andrew's emotional response to this gift becomes the climax of his bitter retirement from his old way of life.

Andrew is anything but a popular figure on the campus of The Abbey, a typical public (which in England means private) school. He is a harsh, dour figure, unrelenting in his demands on students and distant from his faculty colleagues.

The social end of his job: teas, dinners, formal occasions, is covered by his much younger wife, Laura (Greta Scacchi). This external commitment is about all that

is left of their crumbling marriage, and Laura has predictably enough found solace, or at least sexual substitution, in an affair with a young American professor, Frank Hunter (Matthew Modine).

Andrew's departure from the school, therefore, is marked by a succession of harsh realities. Estrangement from his wife is joined to unpopularity with students and faculty, the administration's denial of his pension on a technicality, and the bleakness of the future that lies before him.

The one gentle cushion that helps to soften all these blows is the genuine admiration of Taplow, who senses the depth of Andrew's love of his work and the despair he feels at the many elements of betrayal he is suffering.

If the conclusion of the picture provides none of the purifying release of classical tragedy (how could it?) it does have the merit of its own integrity, by resolutely withholding a contrived happy ending. Andrew has his moment of belated recognition, but it is clear that this is small compensation for all he is losing.

If this picture had no other merit, it would be important as the definitive statement of Albert Finney's rank as one of the foremost actors of his time. The once dashing and romantic Tom Jones has aged intelligently and plays roles that suit both his years and his growth in understanding of the human comedy.

More importantly, Finney is a subtle and dedicated craftsman. His craggy face in closeup repose can register more shades of meaning than those who point the way for him.

Although it takes place in spring, there is an autumnal sadness accompanying Andrew's leave-taking. The picture never wallows in it, but makes it seem a

ting than the twitching and mugging that passes for acting from many of his peers. His Andrew is a broken man on the edge of the abyss. But he looms high above those around him who badger him as they inflict his final wounds: the dying lion, majestic in defeat.

Despite her thankless role as Andrew's unfaithful, disappointed wife, Greta Scacchi makes Laura into an understandable, sympathetic woman. Although she treats

'The Browning Version' is not flashy, but it is lit from within by a light that is very welcome.

Andrew badly, it is clear that she is not fundamentally cruel but deeply wounded herself by the hypocrisy and empty formality of school life.

Matthew Modine's role is expendable, but he carries it with simple dignity that makes it seem more important than it is.

Silverstone, only 14 years old and appearing in his acting debut, is suitably reserved but always alert as the observer who seems destined to have a happier life than those who point the way for him.

Although it takes place in spring, there is an autumnal sadness accompanying Andrew's leave-taking. The picture never wallows in it, but makes it seem a

natural event. *The Browning Version* is not flashy, but it is lit from within by a light that is very welcome.

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Friday, November 1

From the director of *The Seventh Seal*

WOMAN (12/15, 1/19, 2/26)

Wednesday, November 1

Written by Ingmar Bergman

Directed by Daniel Gordon

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SUNDAY (1/15, 2/26)

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Quake corner

The pros and cons of earthquake insurance

By Douglas Donaldson

According to the California Department of Insurance, almost 80 percent of homeowners and 96 percent of the renters in the state do not carry earthquake insurance. Insurance companies are required to offer it to homeowners when they buy new policies and every second year when they renew. This requirement has induced a lot of people to think seriously about it and more and more of them are deciding to go ahead. And every time there is a damaging earthquake, a large number of new policies are sold. In our area, which was significantly affected by the Loma Prieta earthquake, and is close to major faults, it is estimated that 40 percent or more of the homes have earthquake coverage. Still, a large majority of homeowners have declined it. Has everyone who did make a big mistake? Not necessarily. But one thing is clear — it's a complex question that everyone would be wise to consider carefully.

A Primer on the Basics

All standard residential insurance property and most rental insurance policies exclude earthquakes as a peril that the insurance contract will cover. Optional coverage for damage from earthquakes must be available and offered in writing. The cost averages about \$2.05 per \$1,000 of coverage for homeowners and about \$3.25 for renters. If your home is worth \$260,000, you might need about \$220,000 worth of coverage (this

excludes the value of your lot) at a cost of \$450 per year. If you are a renter insuring \$25,000 worth of personal property, you would pay about \$80 per year for additional earthquake coverage.

All earthquake policies have large deductibles. Five percent seems to be the minimum, 10 percent is common, and some companies want to make them even higher. With a 10 percent deductible and a \$220,000 coverage limit, you would have to pay the first \$22,000. One company estimated that almost half of the claims it received after the Loma Prieta quake were denied because they were below the deductible. Nevertheless, there were 26,291 claims that exceeded the deductible and were paid. The average payment was about \$15,300. (And the Loma Prieta was "only" a Richter magnitude 7.1 and was centered in a rural area.)

Not all potential losses are covered by earthquake insurance. For example, brick chimneys, brick fences, swimming pools, driveways, and masonry veneer may be excluded. (Stucco, which is so common in our area, is not considered masonry veneer and is covered.) In addition, some homeowners have reported that their insurance companies have required them to add foundation bolts; strap the water heater, anchor the chimney, or even upgrade the electrical service.

Everyone should remember that some earthquake-related losses will be covered by other, more com-

mon, insurance. Automobile insurance will fix your car if it is damaged in an earthquake. Standard homeowners insurance will cover losses from a fire, even if started by an earthquake. It will also cover broken glass and a number of other items. Personal property floaters normally cover "all risks" including earthquakes. (After the Loma Prieta earthquake, 18,551 standard homeowners insurance claims with an average value of over \$9,700 were paid.)

All these will help, but if your home bounced off the foundation and didn't catch fire, that \$400 a year or so you have been paying for earthquake insurance will seem like a real bargain. Think how bad you'd feel if you had to pay for demolition and then keep making the mortgage payments.

The limits of coverage for earthquake insurance, by law, must be the same as those on your homeowners policy. That means that everything covered under one's homeowners policy — whether it's structure, contents, other structures, and/or loss of use — will be covered to the same extent, i.e., actual cash value, replacement cost, guaranteed replacement cost, with or without building code upgrade.

Earthquake insurance is catastrophe insurance, designed specifically to protect you from the financial catastrophe you might suffer in the Big One or the nearly Big One. In our area, the odds that a Big One will occur are actually quite high.

Geologists estimate that the probability of a major earthquake in the Bay Area is 67 percent to 90 percent in the next 30 years. But don't forget to consider the high resiliency of our wood-frame houses; it is quite possible that your house might survive the "Big One" with less damage than the earthquake deductible. A good seismic retrofit job will greatly increase your chances to ride through with minor to moderate damage — you'll be terrified, but your house won't fall down around you. And you may not have a claim even if you have been paying for coverage all these years.

When you pay an auto premium, it is easy to feel there is a good chance you'll file a claim and get a check from the insurance company sometime in the foreseeable future. After all, there are hundreds of auto accidents in the Bay Area every day, and even more broken windows, stolen stereos, etc.

Buying earthquake insurance requires a different point of view. It is probably a mistake to try to mentally calculate whether your insurance account might balance: a payment every year against a few claims here and there. Earthquake insurance is not so easily visualized as a simple spread-the-risk-around scheme. It is, rather, insurance against personal financial catastrophe.

If you have a lot to lose, you are more vulnerable. The obvious example is lots of equity in your home, but you should consider other assets as well. If you had to take, say, \$200,000 from your retirement savings to rebuild your house, a lot of

dreams might be dashed and plans put off. Your living standard could be affected in later years.

In recent years substantial Federal Aid has been made available after every major disaster. However, aid in the form of grants is generally small; enough to help people relocate to temporary housing, but not enough to rebuild a home. Loans are available, and usually at favorable rates, but loans still have to be paid back.

The California Department of Insurance has estimated that a major earthquake in Los Angeles/Orange County would result in a total property loss of over \$100 billion. Of this, the total uninsured loss might be \$45 billion, equivalent to almost \$200 for every man, woman and child in the United States. No one knows how the politics would play out, but cynics would suggest that a lot of Americans, including many in Congress, might say, "We're terribly sorry, but California, you've known for years that the Big One was coming. You should have gotten ready. Don't come begging now...."

In the example above, the total insured loss would be about \$55 billion. In 1990, all the property/casualty companies in the United States had a surplus of \$138.4 billion, although many of the companies do not write insurance in California and would have no exposure. It is expected that the industry as a whole could cover claims.

Many companies would have to liquidate substantial assets, thereby depressing the stock and bond markets. And some companies will ap-

proach or reach insolvency. In effect, the Big One will have a long-lasting impact on the insurance industry, but sufficient assets are expected to be there to meet obligations to policyholders.

Considering the magnitude of the potential risks, a number of experts have, for some time, been urging a cooperative earthquake disaster plan between the Federal government and the insurance industry. Congressman Norman Mineta (D-San Jose) has recently introduced a bill that would make insurers pay for all disasters, with the Federal government providing reinsurance (insurance companies' insurance) funded by a federal levy on policy premiums. The bill is in draft form and will be considered next year.

With all the vacillation, pro and con, you might wonder whether this writer has earthquake insurance. The answer is yes. Why? Basically there are three reasons: 1) We have a lot of equity in our house that we don't want to lose. 2) We would rather have known rights, which are spelled out in our insurance contract, than be at the mercy of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) representatives. I believe that FEMA's unstated goal might be to deflate the politicians' emotional promises made the day after the earthquake to a point that is "affordable" to the government. Finally, 3) earthquake insurance provides some peace of mind — the confidence that my family and I will be able to call up enough resources to rebuild and move forward as quickly as possible.

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Out and About

By Frosene Phillips

The Oakland Ballet's annual performances of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic, "The Nutcracker," begin at the Paramount Theatre Friday, December 9. If, however, your holiday plans include a trip to Lake Tahoe the weekend of December 3-4, you can catch the performance at Caesars Tahoe. The appearance at Caesars marks the company's debut at this South Shore venue.

Director Ronn Guidi founded the Oakland Ballet in 1965. Performing over 60 productions each year both locally and touring, the company can look forward to the thinner air and magnificent setting Lake Tahoe offers. For ticket information, call Caesars at (800) 648-3353.

The Paramount Theatre performances run through December 24. Contact the Paramount Theatre box office for more details at (510) 465-6400.

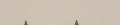


TRICK OR TREAT: With Halloween just around the corner, Lakeshore Avenue's Spettro Restaurant is planning a "Gruesome Gourmet" for the occasion. The special dinner will run on Halloween Monday, October 31, from 5 to 10 p.m. Limited reservations are available for parties of two or more. If you really want to spice up your evening, make sure you appear in a costume. You can bet the fun-loving staff at Spettro's will be ready for this holiday in a creative fashion.



WEEKEND SCENE: Boney James at Kimball's East...Cheo Conception Friday and Romance Saturday at Kimball's Carnival...Opera Night with Macatee Hollie and Elizabeth Durand Saturday at the Courtyard...Frank Biner and His Soul Patrol in the Sports Edition Bar at the Oakland Airport Hilton...Annie Sampson Friday and Ben Marcato and Mondo Combo Saturday in the Terrace Bar at the Claremont Resort...The Rhythm Sheiks Friday and Steve Lucky and the Rhumba Burns Saturday at the Baltic...Mike Wollenberg at Italian Colors...Jermaine & Terra and Gary Newman at the Fat Lady.

Jimmy Rogers at Yoshi's Nitespot...Ted Rosenthal Sunday at the Maybeck Recital Hall...Eddie Pasternak and Roger Glenn Sunday at Crogan's Walnut Creek...Jim Brown at Scott's...Fredrico Cervantes at the Overland House...Hollywood & Co. with Beverly Watson Friday and Lloyd Gregory & Friends Saturday at the 5th Amendment...Terrell Prude and Memphis with Yancey Taylor Quartet Friday and Juel Nero with Yancey Taylor Quartet Saturday at Elsina's Via Veneto.



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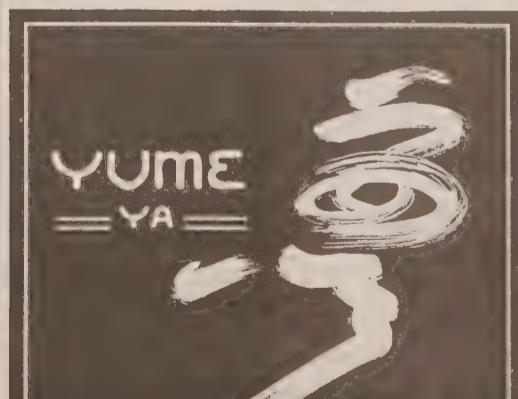
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Developing "auto row" again

Steve Simi is fond of saying automobile dealerships require a lot of bricks and mortar.

He would know. In the last six months, he has bought three dealerships and, consolidating them with the Cochrane & Celi Chevrolet dealership he has owned since 1979, concentrated 10 franchises in a two block section of upper Broadway.

Masonry alone, however, will not accomplish his goal of resurrecting an auto row in downtown Oakland.

A return of the hustle and bustle of Broadway at its peak requires a marriage between the city, other local dealers, and the all important consumer.

"What I'm attempting to do is develop an auto row again," he said. "Oakland has had a very fine auto row that has stumbled lately. I think it has great potential and I'm in the process of seeing if I can't reach out to the East Bay and the one major auto center again."

In May, Simi bought the Val Stroough Chevrolet dealership from the Hendrick Automotive Group, relocating Cochrane & Celi from 12th and Harrison streets to the showroom at the corner of Piedmont Avenue and Broadway. Since then, he has purchased the nearby Bill Cox and Connell dealerships, becoming Oakland's only authorized dealer of Chevy, Jeep-Eagle, Pontiac, Cadillac, Buick, Mazda, Isuzu, and Alpha Romeo. He also offers Nissan and GMC and owns the city's largest used car lot.

These first steps to revitalize Broadway have been supported by the city, in no small part because auto dealerships are Oakland's biggest sales tax producer, generating over \$2 million a year.

"The auto retail business is a vital and significant contributor to the tax base and is a relatively significant employer for both sales and repair," said City Manager Craig Kocian. "They do not de-

mand big services in return from us. The corollary to that is when they ask for help, it is reasonable for us to pay special attention."

Redevelopment aid the city could commit to includes better lighting, landscaping, signage, and attention to general maintenance. As one of the city's largest auto dealers, Simi's consolidation did not go unnoticed by the Oakland Commerce Corporation, a non-profit that helps facilitate business relationships between the public and private sectors.

"Here's a guy who came on board as a solid citizen and sunk a substantial amount back in the area," said Lisa Sullivan of OCC who learned about Simi's needs through a survey he filled out. Under the spell of the "quaint boulevard," she has pledged to help the dealers find ways of advertising the area.

"It is a highly competitive business but there is some possibility of selling (the dealers) on the idea (of working) as an industry unit to increase their marketability," Sullivan said.

But Simi believes Broadway can be advantageous because most of the traffic is local, although he concedes a nearby shopping center would inflate traffic flow to an ideal level.

Getting motorists and potential customers off the MacArthur Freeway may be as easy as designating the area "Auto Row-Broadway" and posting signage, said City Planning Commissioner Peter Smith.

Quoted in the June 19 edition of the Oakland Tribune saying the city's general plan update committee is exploring the possibility of establishing an auto mall at another site, Smith recently said the issue is not where to put the mall but to find out what the dealers need.

"The problem is once you lose the dealer, the competition between the different jurisdiction becomes cutthroat. If we lose them, it will be hard to get them back," he cau-

tioned. While Simi is clearly tied to Broadway economically, as an Oakland native and Alameda resident, he also has a personal, nostalgic stake in its success.

One of the first cars he owned, a black Chevy Bel Aire convertible, he bought on Broadway in 1956 when he was in his early 20s. Around that time, his dream of becoming a major league second baseman began to fade ("I couldn't hit a ball 400 feet or steal 60 bases," he admitted), so he fell back on the auto industry, having worked in auto body shops through high school and gas stations during college.

His first dealership job was in East Oakland as a service advisor for Lincoln-Mercury. Before long he turned to sales, becoming a junior partner in an Alameda dealership for 14 years.

Little has changed in his basic approach to selling cars since then.

"For me, selling hasn't changed much at all," he said. "If I have said it once, I have said it a thousand times. If a customer wants to buy a car, (and the prices are equal), they can go buy that car anywhere."

"If they want to buy it from us, the only thing that is going to differentiate us from any other dealer is that service we provide for the sale and after the sale."

What few other dealers have traditionally offered is a service and parts department that is open on Saturdays, a policy Simi's dealerships began a few weeks ago.

Nevertheless, Simi is not alone in his optimism as Lexus of Oakland, according to general manager Greg Schiller, is "entrenching" on Broadway, building a new service facility across the street from its lot.

Honda of Oakland's business manager Karen Moubarak said sales have been good this month and believes a little landscaping and group marketing would help.



Steve Simi has consolidated 10 auto franchises in a two block section of Broadway, helping to bring back the hustle and bustle of Oakland's auto row.

years," he said.

"I just think the demographics of the East Bay are great. By providing a lot of franchises in one area we will become a destination area again and make it very comfortable for the customer."

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responsible person would intentionally pollute the San Francisco Bay, but it happens when automobile fluids are not disposed of properly. Nearly half of all Americans change their own motor oil, few know how to store or dispose of it properly. Unknown amounts contribute to urban pollution by dumping onto ground toxic materials associated with auto maintenance.

As a result, water flowing over roads, streets and parking lots picks up these contaminants and carries them into the storm drain, which flows untreated into creeks, Lake Merritt and the others pollute area waterways by pouring toxic materials down the storm drain.

However, by following a few guidelines, Alameda residents can maintain at home and help prevent pollution to the San Francisco Bay Project. Americans illegally dispose up to 120 million gallons of used oil annually — 11 percent of the Exxon Valdez

so many people incorrectly think that used auto fluids can be dumped into the trash, onto the ground or down the storm drain. What many don't realize they are directly contributing to polluting the Bay," says Lindley of the Alameda Urban Runoff Clean Program. "An environmentally safe alternative is proper disposal and recycling of contaminated materials such as used motor oil, antifreeze and more."

Lindley encourages residents to use the Clean Water Program at 433 for a list of local service stations, collection centers or fire departments that accept auto antifreeze is disposed of, often recycled into lower-quality car batteries also are available. Most disposal facilities

do not charge people to take auto fluids, but some may charge up to \$1 a gallon for oil and \$3 a gallon for antifreeze. In Oakland, the garbage service offers a curbside pickup program for motor oil for the convenience of local residents.

Stop drips and avoid leaks

Storm water contamination also comes from leaks and spills during maintenance procedures. Do-it-yourselfers should avoid leaks and spills by placing a drip pan under the work area.

"People are naturally inclined to hose leaks and spills down the drain, which in turn contaminates the water," Lindley says.

A simple alternative to hosing is saturating leaks with absorbants like saw dust, cornmeal or kitty litter. Once the fluid has been absorbed, disposal of the contaminated materials should be handled the same as oil.

Improper storage and disposal of gasoline from cars, as well as boats, jet skis and lawn mowers is another winter maintenance activity that contributes to urban runoff pollution.

According to Dick Pantages of Alameda County's Household Hazardous Waste Division, "When the question of what to do with excess gasoline arises, the best solution is to use it up before it deteriorates.

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MARTIN SNAPP

To the Shores of Tripoli: What do Dan Rather, Don Imus, Art Buchwald, Pat Paulsen, Freddy Fender, Wilford Brimley, Jim Lehrer, Mark Shields, Jonathan Winters, Ed Wood Jr., and Captain Kangaroo have in common?

They all were Marines. (Although the "Captain" in Captain Kangaroo is a strictly honorary title. In real life, the Captain — aka Bob Keeshan — never made it above PFC.)

So was funnyman Mark Russell, who will give a sold-out concert at the Marines Memorial Club in San Francisco tonight, a benefit for the club's scholarship program.

"My only advanced education was at the University of Parris Island boot camp, which, after the nuns and Jesuits of parochial school, was anti-climactic," Russell told me last week. "I had an eighth-grade nun who wore hash marks on her habit."

Meanwhile, guess who'll be at the Paramount Theater next Thursday? The U.S. Marine Band. And get this: Admission is absolutely free.

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The band is almost as old as the country itself, having been created by an act of Congress on July 11, 1798.

Three years later it played at the inauguration of Thomas Jefferson, who gave it the nickname it's known by today: "The President's Own."

(No word on whether Jefferson, an accomplished violinist in his own right, ever sat in with the band. But we know of at least two other presidents who did: Warren G. Harding, who played every instrument except the trombone and the E-Flat comet, and Bill Clinton, who played his sax with the band even before he became president — in 1991, when he was Governor of Arkansas attending a governors' conference at the White House.)

Among the highlights of the band's history:

July 4, 1806: At a reception given by President Jefferson, the band plays a tune called "To Anacreon in Heaven" for the first time. It isn't much of a hit, but eight years later Francis Scott Key writes new lyrics and calls his song "The Star-Spangled Banner."

July 4, 1828: The band plays "Hail to the Chief" for the first time, in honor of President John Quincy Adams.

April 10, 1865: Huge crowds gather outside the White House to celebrate the news of Lee's surrender. They call for a speech from President Lincoln, but he says he's too tired to talk. Instead, he asks the Marine Band to play a song which, he says, has always been his personal favorite. The song: "Dixie."

Summertime, 1902: President Theodore Roosevelt's daughter, Alice, shocks polite Washington society by asking the Marine Band to play the controversial new "jazz" tune, Scott Joplin's "Maple Leaf Rag."

August 9, 1974: Richard Nixon becomes the first president to resign in disgrace. As he walks to the helicopter that will take him into exile, the Marine Band strikes up the "Washington Post March."

January 20, 1993: At Bill Clinton's inauguration, the Marine Band plays the "Liberty Bell March" — which is also the theme song of "Monty Python's Flying Circus." A bad omen?

The Marine Band has had 25 directors in its 195-year history, but the one everyone still talks about is No. 17: John Philip Sousa (aka "The March King"), the man who made the band what it is today.

And they still have a lot of mementos, including the great man's baton and his scrapbooks of newspaper clippings.

"He clipped everything, and I do mean *everything*, that was ever written about him, even if it was only one line," says Sgt. Julie Staf, the band's spokeswoman. "The man definitely had an ego."

They also have some of Sousa's original scores, with his original musical notations. And it will be these historically accurate versions that they'll play at next Thursday's concert.

Some wise guy once said that "military justice is to justice as military music is to music." I don't know about the justice part, but the bit about military music is a bum rap.

Ask any music scholar, and they'll tell you that Sousa was one of this country's greatest composers — right up there with Stephen Foster, Duke Ellington, and George Gershwin.

And the people seem to agree. Sousa marches like "Semper Fidelis," "The Liberty Bell," "Washington Post" and, of course, "The Stars and Stripes Forever," have become national icons.

The band will play several of these standards next Thursday, along with some non-Sousa works — which is perfectly in the Sousa tradition.

"Sousa loved introducing his audiences to unknown composers, like Wagner and Brahms," says Staf. "In fact, he performed Mascagni's 'Cavalleria Rusticana' at the White House months before it got its official American premiere at the Metropolitan Opera."

By the way, if you want to hear this music you'll have to attend in person. It's practically impossible to get the Marine Band on tape or CD.

Chalk it up to yet another dumb law on the books: For some reason, the band is forbidden to sell recordings for profit. They can give them away — to schools and other educational institutions — but they can't sell them.

Is this dumb or what? Apart from the fact that it would be fun to be able to play "Semper Fidelis" on your car's tape deck, the government could use every penny it can get these days.

If you think this is as stupid as I do, there's something we can do about it. By coincidence, our very own Ron Dellums is chairman of the House Armed Services Committee. Write and tell him, "I want my Semper Fi!"

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Martin Snapp's column appears every Thursday in *The Journal*. Phone Martin at 273-9543.

Lease

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Golden Gate Fields. The track now simulcasts to 33 locations in California and to 20 other states, Canada, Jamaica and Mexico.

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much competition and from the exercise of eminent domain. They also asked about trust and whether RAC's recommendations would in fact be followed by elected officials — or if the committee might just be a political means of showing interest in community involvement.

The challenge from the audience was that the City Council has no obligation to take the committee's recommendations. One resident, for example, said he was amazed that the strongest recommendation of the committee — that the Redevelopment Plan Amendment be put to a vote — was not overwhelmingly supported by the council but was barely passed by a majority.

"Do I conclude from that that they take you guys seriously?" he asked, giving his own suggestion that the permanent Redevelopment Advisory Committee be elected and that it might even take over responsibility for redevelopment rather than leaving that responsibility in the hands of a city council.

Questions about trust had to do more with the city council/redevelopment agency than with the committee itself, though Beverly Gent of the El Cerrito Citizens' Alliance did question the fact that "13 people (on the committee) were recommending this kind of money without an in-depth study of the alternatives."

The committee, she said, "didn't do (its) homework."

Another audience member also asked for specific projections for growth and development without the redevelopment tool.

Conspicuously absent from the committee panel was former member George Amberg, who recently resigned from his appointment; he sat in the audience but made no public comments. For a time, Amberg had expressed support for the committee's recommendations, though he had always objected to the financial projections for redevelopment and had done extensive computer analyses of the possibilities for the future on his own.

While Amberg believes certain specific ideas pro-

posed for the development of different sections of El Cerrito are "pie in the sky," it was in fact the financial aspect of the RAC recommendations that led to his resignation. For Amberg, the \$80 million limit, \$20 million of which will be reserved for El Cerrito Plaza, is just too high.

That position is not without supporters on the committee. Don West, for example, has also argued that the \$80 million figure is too high. He, like some other members, believes the city will never have the revenue stream required to float such a debt. An adequate revenue stream to support the incurred debt is required by both the amendment and state law.

Since West believes the city will never use the full amount — the agency used only about half of its previous maximum limit — he argued for a smaller limit, one that would not be so worrisome for voters. At the same time, he is a strong believer in redevelopment's benefits.

As for specific recommendations made for development in different areas of town, the ideas for El Cerrito Plaza and particularly for Fairmount Avenue engendered the most comment. Several residents and business persons were disturbed by the possibility of increased "nightmare" traffic congestion and parking problems that might result from increased development and of established businesses losing their sites through eminent domain (specifically the garages on Fairmount).

"We don't tear down gas stations; we don't build theaters," said Bashor of the committee, stressing that members' recommendations reflect a possible vision only. Lewis also pointed out that no specific proposals are on the table.

Residents were encouraged to bring their concerns to the permanent RAC early on in the process when a specific development proposal has been received — as opposed to waiting for an agency public hearing when agency members may have already made their decisions. But there is strong feeling among some residents that passing of the Redevelopment Plan Amendment will automatically lead to unwanted de-

velopment and that those issues should be

real estate titan Catellus was known in 1990 when their proposal to abandon and build a mixed-use development on the site was squelched by environmental activists.

Catellus owns 905,000 acres of land in 10 other states and 14.4 million sq. ft. of commercial property, among other interests.

development and that those issues should be

A mix of attitudes was evident in audience members, some of whom reflected some fear of business growth in general. Several members, at the idea that a theater might be a success, seemed to be pushing for an open, free market. Private developers would be encouraged they wanted to do (as long as there is assistance).

There is also a mix of approaches — or priorities — among committee members. Chuck Lewis, for example, stressed what he sees as the financial benefits of Redevelopment. Price and Anne Delehant, on the other hand, sized the use of Redevelopment in providing for what El Cerrito might look like in the future.

Delehant, who is a lifelong resident, talked to many business persons who find "deteriorating," an attitude she finds "she wants to avoid the mistakes of the past." She believes Redevelopment has led to projects and can do so again in the future.

Both she and Price advocated for the use of a commercial district concept. They'd like "big box" auto-oriented businesses, more provide a variety of useful services to neighbors and mutual support among businesses, who noted that the committee is pushing for building or renovation that will provide for uses should one business use "go under" an empty building scenario.

John Baker said he's concerned that, development, there will be "no continuity" Cerrito of the future.

"More hamburger places, more video stores I way I want it to look," he said. "I want a structure for the city 30 years from now, main concern, that's why I'm on the committee."

document did not clearly articulate the position on the *need* for a redevelopment. Its TIF revenue estimates are grossly inaccurate calculations dead wrong.

The fiscal analysis section of the paper prepared by a Mr. George Amberg. Mr. Amberg's projection of rate of growth in assessed value from 1955 to today and determined that a 6.8 percent growth spurt could be expected in the method of rate of growth forecasting. He ignores the current regional recession and its assessed value growth for land in the entire area as what was responsible for growth in the year over stated.

In my next column, I will discuss the number of mistakes made in the report and a redevelopment agency.

Zennie Abraham is a freelance economic larly writes columns for Hills Newspapers.

Abraham

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say to you that if you put another 100 gallons of water in the tank, I want to use 1 percent of that for my plant-watering pool of water. So when you add that 100 gallons, I get 1 gallon. Then I say to you, "Let me add one percent of the difference between the total water in the tank each year and the original 1000 gallons." You say "fine" it. So next year you add 100 more gallons; I get 2 more gallons. So now I have 3 gallons for my plants.

Now let's switch some words around. Let's change your tank of water to a huge piece of land. Then change the water to money and gallons to dollars. Finally, let's change what is represented by the "dollars added" — land value. So when we add 100 dollars, it now represents land that has been purchased or developed, thus adding to the total assessed value of the land mass, which is 1000 dollars. To make the transformation complete, add five zeros to each number. Now your playing with redevelopment dollars.

Agencies like the ECRA use TIF to finance the

construction of low income housing, and to assist developers by paying for street and road improvements their project might call for. To do this, the agency issues bonds to pay for the implementation of redevelopment plans. In the case of the ECRA, the bonds are called "Series 1991A Refunding Tax Allocation Bonds." The agency owes \$13.1 million on these bonds which it will pay off annually through the year 2020.

If Prop F fails at the polls, the agency will not be able to float new bonds to pay for a theme park or a shopping center. The El Cerrito Redevelopment Advisory Commission, a citizen's group formed to evaluate the work and financial position of the ECRA, published a document entitled "Report and Recommendations of the Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee to The El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency."

The document called for the establishment of a permanent committee representing the entire community, and made recommendations to alter the "look" of the main thoroughfare, San Pablo Avenue. But the

gating.

A Berkeley man parked and locked his 1978 GMC van on the 500 block of Pierce Street at about 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 17. When he returned from a short trip on the afternoon of Oct. 21, he found his van missing. There were no witnesses.

A woman on the 800 block of Cerrito Street reported that while she was entering her car on the morning of Oct. 22 she was approached from behind by someone who hit her on her head, causing her to fall to the asphalt and black out for a few moments. The attacker then stole her purse and ran to a waiting vehicle with two other people inside. The vehicle

departed south on Cerrito Street toward Street. Police are investigating.

A Garfield Avenue woman reported her yellow 1980 VW van was stolen from her house on Oct. 22. Officers learned that she was involved in a high speed pursuit with a suspect. The van was recovered but in a wrecker.

There are suspects in custody.

During the week of October 16, police fingerprinted nine people at their request. Cars responded to 10 false alarms, almost all deceased or injured animals, and assistance who were locked out of their house or car.

Innes suggested the city institute a temporary parcel tax or make budget cuts to solve deficits while gathering more information on alternatives, "which could turn out to be better," she said.

"We should not give up our dream. Let's get and get to work," she said.

The question and answer period brought exchanges on other issues involving the city, including city officials' offer to make a formalization of the state of the city before the began. The offer was refused by No on F.

"The city has its own vested concern. It's better with just citizens," Innes said.

"Facts are facts. The opponents are facts. They're interested in propaganda," she said.

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Blotter

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On the morning of Oct. 21 a Clay Street woman reported seeing a suspicious person near the dead end of Madison Street at about 9:30 a.m. on October 20. She and her husband had smelled smoke and seen a burned patch of grass.

They encountered the suspicious man standing near the creek and described him as a white male adult, five feet eight inches tall, with short blond hair, clean cut, medium build, wearing a plaid shirt and jeans. He reportedly appeared very nervous.

This could possibly be related to a grass fire at that location on Oct. 20 at 4:30 a.m. Police are investigating.

Feiner said opponents have offered no viable alternatives to the race track and hope that it "will just go away. The Bay might also freeze over and we could all go skating."

With recent agreement to extend the Ladbroke lease to 2024, "the race track is here to stay. The alternative to Measure F is a horrible and inaccessible mess on the waterfront," he said.

We live in Albany because of the small town atmosphere and the quality of life," Innes said in her opening statement.

"We have dreams of what our waterfront can be. We will have to give up our dreams if Measure F passes. A huge new facility the size of 90 city council chambers operating 24 hours a day and increased traffic of 12,000 cars a day will dramatically change our city," she said.

Innes said the development agreement was put on the ballot by the city council with no debate, no Environmental Impact Report and no traffic study. Alternatives to the cardroom presented to the city council were never assessed or decided on, she said.

"This is a fiscally irresponsible vote. We have to do something, but we don't need millions of dollars,"

Innes said. Gambling revenues are "soft money, an unreliable source" providing only "a short, quick fix" for the city's budget shortfall.

As for environmental enhancements, Innes said the land offered by Ladbroke is a "tiny, 14 ft. strip of asphalt, a pathetic excuse for an East Shore Park."

Innes said Ladbroke has spent ten times as much money on the Measure F campaign as has ever been spent on a campaign in Albany "which used to be done with \$2 or \$3 thousand and a lot of energy." She said Ladbroke would be able in the future to "choose candidates and prevent school bond issues."

With a "big brother" providing 30 percent of the budget, Innes said Ladbroke would have undue influence on the city government. "We can't sell ourselves to become addicted to the money. We would become a company town," she said.

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Library

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question of forming a Joint Powers Authority for library services will again be raised in December.

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REAL ESTATE

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A vision takes form for homeowners in hills fire area

By Dennis Evansky

When Sally McKnight and Jann Hedrick rebuilt their home in the firestorm area, they took some advice from Eeyore of *Winnie the Pooh* fame: "It just shows what can be done

by taking a little trouble," said Eeyore. "Do you see, Pooh. Do you see, Piglet. Brains first and then hard work. Look at it! That's the way to build a house."

This advice now graces the entrance to their recently completed home.

"The original house that stood here was built in the very early '40s," McKnight said. "Times changed and our lifestyle changed. Above all, we wanted to consider ideas that could be reflected in our new home. Then, we wanted to carefully consider just how we could apply those ideas to the reality of our new home."

To accomplish this, McKnight and Hedrick turned to Tom Ochsner and John Adams of Axkner Construction and to the architect, Harry Metaxas. McKnight and Hedrick, owners of a chimney sweep business called The Irish Sweep, had worked with Ochsner, Adams and Metaxas in the past.

"We had known Tom for years and he recommended Harry," McKnight said. "Actually, Harry was my neighbor down on Broadway Terrace. I covet his house, especially after I saw it featured in *Better Homes and Gardens* in the fall of 1990. What I really loved about this house were its views from room to room and the sunken living room."

Axkner Construction has been licensed since 1982. "We're a company that is really familiar with structural work," Ochsner said. "Both John and I cut our teeth in the business building houses in Montclair. So we are very familiar with building on hillsides and with seismic requirements."

Metaxas is a graduate of UC-

'Sally looked at the design and erased all the walls...'

—HARRY METAXAS,
ARCHITECT/BUILDER

Berkeley and comes from a family of construction contractors. "I've worked in the business since I was 14 and have seen the business from the construction side," Metaxas said. "This experience has led me to design homes that are buildable. When you know what you are putting together the design is directly effected."

"As I presented Sally and Jann with the first drawing for the house, Sally looked at the design and erased all the walls," Metaxas remembered. "Sally and Jann were great to work with. While they were very opinionated, they were also very willing to listen to advice from outside sources."

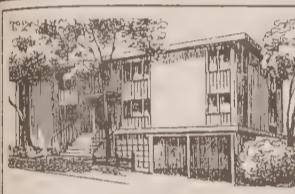
"This house really is a reflection of brainstorming sessions with Sally and Jann," Adams agreed. "They recognized the support of other people's talents. During the frame-up stages, we had meetings every Thursday."

"I had always had in my head just how nifty it would be to be able

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From the living room fireplace, left, warm air can be blown to any part of the house. Art deco brass and glass fixtures, right, light up the master bathroom. The brass/glass theme in continued throughout the house.



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Realtors throw spooky party to raise money for homeless



Karen Ward, The Mortgage Line, left, David Kafton, Mason-McDuffle, and Flo Albonico, American Title, helped organize the Berkeley Association of Realtors' Give-for-Treat Night.

By Anita Thede

An evening of great fun is in store for Berkeley Realtors tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 28. Realtors are beckoned to come partake of ghoulish edibles and ghastly liquids. Madam Alice (Alice McLeish of Marvin Gardens Real Estate) will tell the brave what their future holds.

"There will be door prizes and lots of goodies for all the 'Give-A-Treaters,'" says organizer Flo Albonico, escrow manager of American Title in Albany.

Albonico is the chairperson of the Berkeley Association of Realtors Special Events Committee, and Karen Ward of The Mortgage Line is co-chair. David Kafton is the chairperson for the Berkeley Association of Realtors Homeless Committee, which is co-sponsoring this event.

The price of admission is a donation of canned goods or dry food, usable clothing and a willingness to have a great time. The donations will go to the three groups supported by the Berkeley Association's homeless committee.

When asked how the party was planned, Albonico said that people generally associate Thanksgiving and Christmas with gift giving. This year, the committee decided to include Halloween. Halloween is Albonico's favorite holiday.

"Some people collect Christmas decorations, I collect Halloween decorations," said Albonico. She will be lending many of these to give the evening a more ghoulish look.

Albonico's experience includes 23 years in the title and escrow business. She feels that it is important to show the community that "we care." This event represents not just an opportunity to socialize with colleagues, explains Albonico, but people who donate get to feel good, too.

Realtors are involved in year-round fundraising and community activities. One example is the Berkeley Association of Realtors Homeless Committee, under the leadership of David Kafton of Mason McDuffle Real Estate. This committee has been actively raising money to benefit programs for the homeless in Berkeley since 1989.

Started by Bill Porter, then president-elect of BAR, this committee has raised more than \$50,000 through direct contributions from Realtors, lenders, title companies and other affiliates.

The three groups that have been the recipients of these efforts have been the Berkeley Ecumenical

Chaplaincy, the Berkeley Oakland Support Services Transition Housing and the Women's Daytime Drop-in Center (WDDC), a daytime program offering food and services in a home environment for women and children.

Kafton, a Realtor since 1985, has a doctorate in genetics from UC-Berkeley. He has helped found two non-profit organizations and headed one which con-

ducted research and education in the area of natural resources policy.

When asked why he stays involved in the homeless committee, Kafton replied that he feels there is a great need for the homeless to be supported in the effort to regain housing. This is one way he feels he can contribute.

Albonico, Karen Ward, and

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Q & A



THE HENDRICKSONS

Q: We were in contract to purchase a house. But our inspection revealed serious problems with the foundations. Now the sellers won't release our deposit money. How do we get our money back?

A: Problems with the buyers' deposit are not unusual in today's market.

When a buyer makes an offer on a property, he/she also includes an earnest money deposit which is usually considered by the sellers as a sign of the buyers' seriousness.

The money doesn't go directly to the seller; rather, it is deposited with a title company. (The title

company serves as both title insurer and escrow company.)

The buyers' contract contains an inspection contingency which means that until the inspection clause is waived, the contract is more like an option to purchase. Waiving the inspection condition is analogous to exercising the option.

Can the buyer use any defect or problem with the property no matter how trivial to reject the property? Buyers may exercise great latitude in rejecting a property. But that latitude is not infinite.

The California Association of Realtors contract provides, "If, within the time specified, Buyer provides written reasonable disapproval to Seller of any item for which Buyer has a disapproval right, Seller shall respond in writing within — calendar days after receipt of Buyer's notice

If Seller is unwilling or unable to correct the items disapproved

by Buyer, then Buyer may cancel this agreement ... and Buyer's deposit shall be returned to Buyer."

Notice that buyer's disapproval must be reasonable. And that the seller is given the opportunity to make the necessary repairs. The buyer can't back out of the agreement for arbitrary or whimsical reasons.

Only when the seller refuses to make the required corrections can the buyer choose not to complete the sale.

This prevents the buyer using a trivial problem as an excuse to back out of the transaction.

Some problems are either so expensive to repair or outside of the seller's control that withdrawal is the only practical alternative. Foundation repairs and neighborhood problems often fall into this category.

Suppose that the buyer's refusal to proceed is based on a trivial defect or that the buyer has

waived both the inspection and the loan condition and now refuses to proceed. Can the seller keep the deposit?

Was the liquidated damages provision initiated by all the parties to the contract?

If so, then the seller is entitled to the buyer's deposit. If not, the seller's remedy is to sue the buyer for damages.

Can the seller actually get his hands on the deposit? Remember that the title company still has the money.

Will they release the money to the seller? No, they won't. Not without the buyer's consent or authorization.

Under the circumstances, it is hardly likely that the buyer will consent, so what is the seller to do?

In this situation, ownership of the deposit is in limbo. Neither the seller nor the buyer has access to the money. Each can deny ac-

cess to the other.

It's not a pretty picture, and it's certainly not what the authors of the CAR contract had in mind when it was originally drafted.

Unfortunately, the title companies don't have the resource to referee disputes between buyers and sellers nor are they in a position to determine whether one of the parties actually breached the contract so as to decide which of the parties is actually entitled to the deposit.

The practical effect of all this is that where the parties can't negotiate a resolution to their dispute, then they must once again resort to the courts.

Barbara and Dennis Hendrickson are partners in The Hendrickson Company. Send questions c/o Hills Newspapers, Real Estate, 5707 Redwood Rd., Oakland 94619, or call them at 540-6000; FAX: 548-6865.

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Team approach is industry's wave of future



Real Estate
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RICHARD KNUTSON

Real estate brokerage has a reputation for being dominated by professionals who want to be in total control. Among many fundamental shifts now occurring in the industry is the inevitable transition to a team approach.

The broker who won't play on a team is on the way out, whether his fate is loss of credibility, hostile litigation or just plain superior competition.

Commercial transactions, especially sales and larger leases, require a number of professional specialists to guarantee the best result for the client. The fees for these professionals seem steep, until the costs of a mistake are calculated.

Ultimately the client and advisors involved in the transaction will all be better served if there is a broad range of knowledge, experience and skills brought to bear on the client's goals.

Team composition

For larger properties, a minimum of four players must be involved in the transaction from beginning to end. These include a broker, attorney, tax advisor and property manager.

If no one is in charge, the client can expect decision gridlock, or worse, infighting.

Many times the attorney also acts as tax consultant, but these functions are often separated because the attorney has a different perspective on the client's overall legal situation from the tax advisor's view of the long-term tax impact of a particular transaction.

Sometimes the owner is also managing the property, but communication links should still include the individual who is directly charged with accounting, maintenance and tenant relations.

Implicit to the acknowledgment that there must be a team to handle the transaction is the fact that every team must have a leader.

If no one is in charge, the client can expect decision gridlock, or worse, infighting. If the client is not the leader, any of the permanent professionals may fill the position, but it is usually the attorney or broker.

Defined mission and roles

The team must have a clearly-

defined mission and an understanding of who is responsible for which function.

Oftentimes, the attorney expects the broker to submit a draft Listing Agreement or Purchase Agreement for review.

Other times, the attorney wants to control all wording in the agreements. Either way is fine, so long as it achieves the client's goals and keeps the team "rowing in the same direction."

In most cases, the broker is responsible for planning and implementing the marketing campaign, negotiating business points in the transaction, and managing the transaction past its conclusion until all requirements of the client are fulfilled.

The attorney must advise on legal matters, negotiate legal points and protect the client's interest in terms of legal obligations, liabilities and opportunities.

The tax advisor should structure the transaction to conform with applicable tax laws, while

minimizing or avoiding taxable events incurred by the client.

The property manager is charged with providing financial information on the property's operation, keeping the property in top condition for showings and assisting in inspections required by prospective buyers.

Other professionals

Beyond those professionals involved in the entire process, numerous others will be needed at various stages.

In the case of a unique or large property, or one with several potential uses, an appraiser should be included. It is often a good idea for the attorney to engage the

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Winans Construction project featured in *Builder* magazine

Winans Construction, an Oakland-based and family-owned construction and remodeling company, has received a Special Focus award in the 14th Annual Builder's Choice Design and Planning Awards competition.

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or future owner of commercial or income property.

Don't overlook specialists in the area of title and escrow, as they can make or break a transaction at a critical stage.

If there are questions about the condition or marketability of title, get them straightened out before taking the property to market.

The other professional who is crucial to success is the lender. It is wise to get a lender's view of the financeability of a property during the listing phase. This information can be invaluable in accurately pricing the property and adds confidence to the due dilig-

ence phase after a buyer has contracted to acquire the property.

A coordinated effort

Real estate can still be a lucrative investment, but it is not so simple as it used to be. In order to succeed, the investor must assemble an experienced, knowledgeable team.

Above all, the team members must define their mission and roles, then work in concert to assure their client's success.

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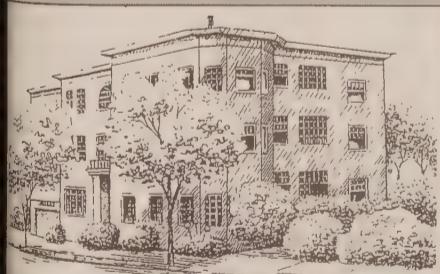
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English financier talks on global investment

Martin W. Bach, senior vice president, investments, and David L. Bach, account executive, investments, of Dean Witter have announced that Jeremy Lodwick, a senior investment professional for Morgan Grenfell Investment Services Ltd., London, England, will be their guest speaker at a global investment seminar sponsored by the Bachs and Dean Witter on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 10 a.m. at the Lafayette Park Hotel, 3287 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

"If you are not currently investing a portion of your portfolio abroad, you are missing the boat," says David Bach. "In 1993, the average global mutual fund had

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"Economic growth is taking place abroad at double-digit rates, and the Pacific Rim is leading the charge. Since 1980, the U.S. market has made the top five only three times. In fact, the U.S. market has never finished first."

Jeremy Lodwick will be sharing firsthand insights into invest-

ments both in the Pacific Rim and in Europe. He will discuss how you can immediately take advantage of well-managed companies overseas that are poised for potentially explosive growth.

Jeremy joined Morgan Grenfell in 1986. He returned to London in 1991 as a continental European analyst and portfolio manager.

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Bay view from living room and backyard spa/gazebo. Updated 2BR, 1BA with den and basement. 2 car garage with interior access, new berber carpets, hardwood underneath. Property overlooks beautiful park! Mint condition home, clear pest report!
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139 SHERIDAN. Elegant gated mini estate on lush grounds. Large eat-in kitchen,....\$895,000
beautiful master suite with fireplace. 4+ bedrooms. Marie Kenaga 339-1774 MLS 033580

930 AQUARIUS WY. New Medit. Bay view, artist's retreat. Featured on 1994....\$549,000
Phoenix tour! Peter Nicolopoulos 339-9780 MLS 033488

5800 WESTOVER. Beautiful, spacious new const: 3+BD/3.5BA. Low down....\$499,000
or guaranteed sale on your current home possible. Wendy Callaghan 839-9197 MLS 025116

721 CALMAR. 1909 Traditional beauty. 11 rooms, original wood and details....\$365,000
4+BD, modern kitchen. 2nd owners. Stan Hammond 839-5846 MLS 033379

6920 BRISTOL. Brand new contemp! Open flr plan, tile kitchen & baths, 3BD/3BA,...\$349,000
decks, 2-car garage. Great value. Mary Neuberger 635-9103 MLS 034636

1625 LEIMERT. Lots of space for the price! Trad. charm, 4+BD, basement, wood....\$329,000
floors, Montclair schools. Vicki Faulk 533-2950 MLS 034432

5627 GENOA. Owner occupy No. Oakland triplex + home & live rent free....\$289,000
with 20% down. OPEN 2:00-4:00. Stan Hammond 839-5846 MLS 034188

573-575 CLEVELAND. Motivated! Secluded duplex move-in cond., in unit....\$279,000
laundry, frpls, good pkg & stg. 1-2BD/2BA, 1-2BD/1BA. Dick Cohen 339-1117 MLS 033394

4040 COOLIDGE. Classic 2-BD/2BA trad. Great value for condition; rumpus with....\$259,000
wet bar, FDR, eat-in kitchen. Sandi Klemmer 654-4904 MLS 033687

4739 EL CENTRO. Three bedroom Glenview charmer with original wood....\$239,000
lots of light. Don Dunning 482-2256 MLS 034217

6996 PINEHAWK. Cute cottage w/some improvements for new home....\$189,000
Owner builder alternative. Ellen Nicopoulos 339-9780 MLS 032799

620 E. 20TH ST. Serious price reduction! Beautiful well-kept Spanish, deep....\$174,000
(175) lot, ready for offers. Joy Bryden 531-7000 MLS 033689

2177 ROSEDALE. Home at last! 3BD w/craftsmen details, hardwood floors....\$159,000
remod. kitchen w/French doors to patio & yard. Lee Jacobson 654-5161 MLS 033648

3238 LAUREL. Clean two bedroom with new kitchen, hardwood floors and....\$149,000
fenced yard. Susie Lipps 482-8602 MLS 033770

SHOWN BY APPOINTMENT

NEW MONTCLAIR CONSTRUCTION. Reduced \$32k. Multi flr contemp. 4/3.5....\$517,000
3flrps, LR, FR, DR, awesome kitch & mstr baths. Flexible owner/bldr. Frank Hennefer 654-6461

SPECTACULAR VIEWS. 4BD/3BA Ridgemont home. Kitchen w/island and brkfst....\$459,000
area, lrg FR w/fpl. Only 8 yrs old. Lvl yard, cul-de-sac. Chris Christensen 530-8412 MLS 034344

NEW CONSTRUCTION. \$50k reduction! Seller may carry w/15% down. 3BD....\$449,000
2.5BA, kitchen/family room combo. Atrium entrance. Dick Cohen 339-1117 MLS 030036

LEAVE ALL YOUR WORRIES BEHIND and head home to this quality 3BD/2.5BA....\$435,000
custom home on 3/4+ acres. Library, vaulted ceilings, bay view. Nancy Novick 482-2392

SPACIOUS BROWN SHINGLE plus separate cottage, 5-car garage. Original....\$438,000
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MONTCLAIR CONTEMPORARY. Reduced \$10k. Views. New cpts. 3BD/2BA....\$309,000
move-in cond. 2 story vaulted ceiling, LR w/flrpls. Dick Cohen 339-1117 MLS 033283

PRIVATE CREEKSIDE SETTING. 2BD/1.5BA w/orig. archt. details & built-ins, lrg....\$169,000
updated kitch, bath w/skylight, deck facing trees & creek. Kate Phillips 530-8211 MLS 033551

SPACIOUS CRAFTSMAN. In Maxwell Park! 2BD, orig. wood trim & built-ins, hwd....\$156,000
frs, lg kitchen, brm for storage. Grt lv yard w/built trees. Kate Phillips 530-8211 MLS 034124

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BERKELEY
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A MIDTOWN MANSION. 4BR, 3BA Colonial revival style w/ great yard.

3005 CLAREMONT AVENUE.....OPEN SUNDAY.....\$425,000
Stylish 4BR, 2BA traditional in the heart of Claremont close to fine shops, restaurants, tennis and swim clubs.

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New home in Elmwood, gourmet kitchen, 3+BR, 3BA. Mary Montali 848-3097.

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3/2+ home w/ panoramic bay view of San Francisco & Golden Gate Bridge. Dazzling European design. Call Marlene Leverette 548-0709.

24 ROBLE COURT.....OPEN SUNDAY.....\$729,000
Stately 3BR, 3BA Claremont Mediterranean, plus su-pair suite, on 1/2 acre grounds. Marlene Leverette 548-0709.

OAKLAND
5874 BUENA VISTA AVENUE.....\$99,000
4,200 sq. ft. Upper Rockridge, level, view lot. Call Jan Fouger 655-8211 evens.

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Elegant and spacious 1912 Julia Morgan, 4BR, 2.5BA in Oakland's historic district.

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PIEDMONT
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Sales

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682 Poirier St. - \$110,000
2551 Renwick St. - \$120,000
Santa Rita St. - \$118,000
4202 Snake Rd. - \$332,000
3743 Staten Ave. #1201 - \$385,000
7845 Sterling Dr. - \$170,000
4315 View Crest Ct. - \$391,000
4036 Waterhouse Rd. - \$308,000
873 York St. - \$252,000

PIEDMONT

111 El Cerrito Ave. - \$635,000
22 Monte Ave. - \$539,000
860 Trestle Glen Rd. - \$495,000

SALES STATS BY CITY

ALAMEDA

TOTAL SALES: 11
LOWEST PRICE: \$103,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$445,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$243,590

ALBANY

TOTAL SALES: 6
LOWEST PRICE: \$110,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$273,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$178,000

BERKELEY

TOTAL SALES: 12
LOWEST PRICE: \$120,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$704,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$286,666

EL CERRITO

TOTAL SALES: 3

LOWEST PRICE: \$245,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$448,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$350,333

EL SOBRANTE

TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: \$125,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$205,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$165,000

EMERYVILLE

TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: \$105,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$143,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$119,833

OAKLAND

TOTAL SALES: 41
LOWEST PRICE: \$79,500
HIGHEST PRICE: \$520,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$233,975

PIEDMONT

TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: \$495,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$635,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$556,333

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Project

Mini sleigh makes decorative addition to holiday table

By Don and Dave Runyan

This miniature sleigh is a simple, attractive, versatile and inexpensive way to decorate for the holidays.

It can be adorned with poinsettias, gifts, ornaments or figurines, and building it requires only easy-to-find materials: one 8-foot-long piece of 1x12 pine, nails, wood putty, glue and varnish.

It can also be painted in holiday colors like green, red, silver and gold.

Best of all, this sleigh project can be completed by do-it-yourselfers who have very little experience, even by those who have no woodworking experience at all.

The sleigh is made up of only seven different pieces, and because the two sides and two runners are identical, it requires only five different cuts.

All of the parts are traced from full-size patterns except the sleigh bottom, which is a simple 11-by-17-inch rectangle.

After the pieces are cut, just nail and glue them together as shown, sand and apply varnish or paint.

The snowflake design on the side is optional and can be woodburned or painted on.

The finished sleigh measures 27 inches long by 11 inches wide by 15 inches tall.

The Table-top Sleigh plan, No. 848, is \$6.50 and includes full-size traceable patterns, step-by-step instructions, an exploded assembly diagram and a complete



Made from just seven pieces of wood, this project is easy for even the inexperienced do-it-yourselfer.

shopping list and cutting schedule.

In addition, a catalog picturing hundreds of other do-it-yourself projects, including many for the holidays, is available for \$3.95.

Prices include sales tax, postage and handling.

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235 CAMBRIDGE AVE, Unique, Dramatic 3/2 With View
Red Oak Realtly, 527-3387 X-131 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4 \$285,000

PIEDMONT

Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

284 MOUNTAIN AVE, 6/4+ Grnd Scale Albert Farr Dsgn, @1/2 Ac \$1,895,000
Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-0400

156 DRACENA AVE, Grand English, 6+bd, Fabulous Location \$1,150,000
The GRUBB Co., Jean Simmons 339-0400

43 FARRAGUT AVE, 5/4+ Archit Designed, 1 Lvl, Lovely Patio Area \$990,000
Pacific Union, Nancy Domelly 339-6460

110 SEA VIEW AVE, New Price! Classic Colonial, 5+3, Family Rm \$929,000
The GRUBB Co., Sandra Vogl 339-0400

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The GRUBB Co., John Karmay 339-0400

55 WILDWOOD GARDENS, 3/3+ Charming Country French, View \$779,000
Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460

1 PROSPECT RD, Reduced! English Trad, Gourmet Kit, Lovely Grdn \$649,500
Pacific Union, Roselle Woods 339-6460

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The GRUBB Co., Manly Watson 339-0400

110 ST. JAMES DR, 3/2+ Custom Contemp, Pvt Setting, Beau Grdn \$629,000
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Pacific Union, Francis Heath 339-6460

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Better Homes, Judy Farrell 339-8400

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To place a listing in the Open Home Guide, please call 339-4046.

DEADLINE: Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.

Free brochure has information on hiring engineer or surveyor

A free brochure now available from the California Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) has helpful information for California consumers on when — and how — to hire an engineer or land surveyor for a particular project, says interim director C. Lance Barnett.

The *Consumer Guide to Professional Engineering and Professional Land Surveying* was developed by the DCA Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. Written in nontechnical language, it explains what projects require the assistance of licensed professionals; how to select a professional; and what to specify in the written agreement.

"Most people may need the services of a professional engineer or professional land surveyor only once in a lifetime," Dr. Barnett said. "This guidebook can help them make these important decisions and avoid major headaches."

Engineers are involved with such projects as designing commercial or residential buildings and masonry and retaining walls, conducting soils studies, and checking the structural integrity of buildings. Land surveyors can subdivide property; locate, relocate, or establish property lines or boundaries; and prepare legal descriptions of property.

The guide also explains what an unlicensed person can and cannot lawfully do and gives information about resolving problems and filing complaints.

Copies of the guide have been sent to Better Business Bureaus, city and county building departments, and libraries statewide. To request a copy, write to: State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, P.O. Box 349002, Sacramento, CA 95834-9002, or call (916) 263-2233.

FAX items for Events listings to 339-4066

Events

The Beardless Iris Auction, is Friday, Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m. at the Garden Center Building, Lakeside Park, 6666 Bellevue, Oakland. Buy new hybrids as well as old favorites including Pacific Coast hybrids, Japanese, Siberian, Spurias and Louisiana. Free. Call 482-5252 for more information.

Well Fargo presents a Free Home Buying Seminar, Saturday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the bank at 2959 College Ave., Berkeley. Discover what you can purchase with today's low interest rates and affordable home prices. Pre-registration required. Call 464-1931.

Gardening with Perennials, is the subject of a talk Saturday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. at Berkeley Horticultural Nursery, 1310 McGee Ave., Berkeley. Free, Call 526-4704.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents Faux Finishes: The Hands-On Art of Decorative Painting, Saturday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Cost is \$95. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents Healthy Building Mate-

rials, Sunday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cost is \$35. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents Home Repair & Improvement Hands-On Workshop, Sat. & Sun., Oct. 29 & 30, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$180. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Building Ecology Lecture Series presents Jason Grant, purveyor of sustainably harvested tropical hardwoods, leading a discussion on Sustainable Construction for the Future, Tuesday, Nov. 1, 7 p.m. at 865 Florida St., San Francisco. Sponsored by Architects/Designers/Planners for Social Responsibility. RSVP to 273-2428.

Selling Your Business Successfully, is the topic of a workshop Wednesday, Nov. 2, 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Hobee's Restaurant, 5765 Christie Ave., Emeryville. Sponsored by the Hampton Group, topics include: how to get your business ready to sell; what business buyers are looking for; and how to successfully negotiate the highest price and terms. Free. Call 820-6084 to register.

The Building Education Cen-

ter, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents The Architecture of Additions, Thursday, Nov. 3, 7 - 10 p.m. Fee is \$35. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

Electricity for Women: Part II, presented by Women Empowering Women, Saturday, Nov. 5, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 2830 Ninth St., Berkeley. Wire 3-way switch, learn how to install GFCI receptacle. Basic electrical knowledge required. Fee is \$45 - \$60. Call 649-6265 to register.

Broker Associate Pat Harrington and Realtor Shirley Ellis present A Seminar with a Difference: Homeownership for Non-Traditional Home Buyers, Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. at Amarin Restaurant, 1332 Park St., Alameda. Topics include parents helping children buy; if a relationship is over and one wants out; pooling money and buying together. Free. Call 814-4703 or 522-5545 to register.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents two classes on Saturday, Nov. 5: Save your Home: Earthquake Retrofitting, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., \$70; and Hands-on Interior Plastering Workshop, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., \$90. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents Carpentry Basics for

Women, Sunday, Nov. 6, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$95. Participants will construct their own tool box. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

Water Conservation in the Home, is presented by Women Empowering Women, Monday, Nov. 7, 7 - 9 p.m. at 2830 Ninth St., Berkeley. Donation of \$5 to \$10 at the door. Call 649-6255 to make reservation.

The first of six Saturday sessions on Homeowners Essential Course: How to Build, Remodel and Maintain Your Home, is Nov. 12, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley. \$350 for course. Call 525-7610 for reservations.

The Golden Gate Chapter of the American Society of Home Inspectors' Monthly meeting is Thurs., Nov. 17, 7 - 9:30 p.m. at Hs. Lordships, 199 Seawall Dr., Berkeley Marina. Speaker will be Toni Wilson, marketing director for All About Homes. Cost is \$35 including dinner. Call Dermot O'Kelly for reservations at 549-9335.

For inclusion in the Events listing, send information to Maggie Sharpe, Real Estate Section, Hills Newspapers, 5707 Redwood Rd., Oakland, 94619, call 339-4047, or FAX 339-4066. Information must be received one week prior to publication.



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Help Wanted**403 Childcare Wanted**

NANNY Montclair Hills Christian family with 2 girls, ages 5 and 8 seeks responsible, non-smoking person for after school sports and care 2-6:30 p.m. 5 days per week. Own car/licensed required. \$39-3125.

CHILDCARE Housekeeping Crocker Highlands, 5 year old boy 2 hours, 5/7/94 Tuesday-Friday, mostly after school. Reliable, experienced, fluent English, own car. Launde 268-8752.

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LOVING caregiver for 10 month girl, Monday and Wednesday, afternoons, 2-6, Glenview. References 513-3500.

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NANNY good pay and rooms, live-in, Piedmont, Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. 3 children from 3 Fluent English, CDL. Call 415-822-1600 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Editha.

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NANNY 2 girls (4 years and 16 months) Full-time, leave out. Oakland home, hours vary. Fluent English 510-267-5753.

AFTER school childcare/ housekeeper for boys 5 and 7 years old. Piedmont. References Car please 510-945-6060.

CHILDCARE/ housekeeping Piedmont, girl 10, 4 days 3-6:30 7/9/94. Car, references required. 654-5341.

404 Shared Childcare

SHARE nurturing Nanny our house, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. flexible Debbie 339-1964.

WE have 2 girls, 3 and 6, and a fantastic sitter. Looking for 2 or 3 kids to share the fun from 11:30-5:30 530-0203.

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SHARE/ split great/ reliable babysitter, 1-2 kids, Thursday-Friday. Call Jim or Carolyn 601-5963.

LOOKING for someone to share my babysitter in Montclair with 20 month old, full-time Kim 839-8090.

LOOKING for child to share full-time childcare our home with our 1 year old daughter. Sitter hired. She is loving, experienced, reliable Berkeley Hills area. Robin 510-7764.

SHARE wonderful sitter with 4 month old, Rockridge, 4 or 5 days per week. 547-3628.

SHARE our wonderful Albany babysitter. Her home. Our toddler plus yours. Call 524-4664.

405 Childcare - Licensed

Family Daycare Information Center

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HOME Day Preschool Lake Merritt. Same director and location 5 years. #01025800 763-5155.

RELIABLE, quality childcare. Warm, loving Rockridge home. Activities, experienced, references. CPR certified #010213267. Potty 653-8391.

RELIABLE daycare, healthy environment, in/out activities ECE, 1 year-up. License #010214548 530-1660.

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**725 APT. FOR RENT
1 BEDROOMS**

**\$500 HALLOWEEN SPECIAL-
FREE 1ST MONTH'S RENT**
Spacious 1 bedroom. Quiet and well kept building. Attentive management. Near BART/ Bus lines. Walk to supermarket/ Lake Merritt. Call 563-2837.

\$500-\$600 One bedroom, near Lake Merritt. Dining, laundry, cable, 6 unit building. 835-3201

\$500 ONE bedroom, 485 Wesley Ave. Quiet Mediterranean flexplex, AEK, laundry, hardwoods. Cat okay. 339-9825

\$605-\$805 COZY, charming immaculate 1920's building. Dishwasher, disposal, gas stove, new paint, wall-to-wall carpet, 9 ft. ceilings, laundry and parking. Cat okay. Nice area. Walk to BART and shopping. Cat 633-7360 or 658-6978.

\$505 NORTH OAKLAND

509 41st Large 1 bedroom in charming 1920's building. Sunny kitchen, gas stove, top floor, walk-in closets, hardwood floors. Walk to BART and shopping. Cat okay. Nice area. Walk to BART and shopping. Cat 633-7360 or 658-6978.

\$510 AVAILABLE now. Best value. Beautiful, quiet, secure building near Lake Merritt. Completely remodeled 1 bedrooms, balcony, courtyard, clean, bright, spacious, shopping. BART, security, laundry, laundry in building. Sorry, no pets. 835-3345

\$15 \$15 SUNNY 1 bedroom, clean, parking, laundry, Levolors, carpeting, elevator, near shopping, transportation. 832-5128.

\$520 ONE bedroom, near Lake, 1-580 and bus. Upstairs, fourplex. Quiet, painted, carpet, 10-unit. 835-7668, 735-8109.

\$525 **434 LEE - LAKE AREA**
1 bedroom, Quiet, clean. 1 block north of Lake. Nice carpets, new mini-blinds and appliances. Laundry, heat included. Close to transportation, easy commute to SF. Call 531-6969

\$525 WALK TO WORK
1514 Jackson St. 1 bedroom, coin laundry, quiet and clean. Walk to Lake, BART, shopping. Intercom entry, gated garage. Call 531-6969

\$525 LAKE MERRIT, sunny, near transportation and shops, spacious kitchen, parking included 733-4019, 652-1252

\$525 LARGE 1 bedroom, deck, carpet, very nice, parking, laundry, 4812 Tompkins Ave., Call 482-4550

\$525 LOVELY newly refurbished 1 bedroom in small, older upper Grand Ave. building. Hardwood/heat included. Nice view. 848 Vermont St. 450-7956

\$525 ONE bedroom, upstair in quiet Dimond District flexplex on tree-lined street, with view of hills. Freshly painted, new carpet and blinds, coin laundry, carpet, cat okay. 3441 Laguna, above 500 Frawley. 428-1864

\$525 QUIET, sunny upper in fourplex. Yard, storage, new kitchen, part BART, buses. No pets. 4112 Shafter. Open Saturday 11-2 or by appointment. 652-2127.

\$525 SPACIOUS 1 bedroom, sunny, 2nd floor Quiet building In Adams Point. Pool. Cat okay. See habla Spanish. 893-7925

\$525 SUNNY fourplex, near Lake, transportation Hardwoods. French doors, tile kitchen/ bath. 531-7876, 530-1919.

\$525 SUNNY 1 bedroom cottage, near Mormon Temple, 3533 Leguna. \$750 deposit. Available November 1. Rita 531-4790

\$530 CLAREMONT Ave. near Rockridge BART, attractive furnished unit, security building, furnishings negotiable, parking. 853-1871

\$530 NICE renovated one bedroom, 1920's building, clean quiet, modern kitchen, near Lake Frank 465-5560.

\$535 SECOND MONTH FREE
ADAMS POINT 282 Park View Terrace 1 bedroom, deck, coin laundry, parking, walk to Lake and downtown. Call Bob 465-5065 or 531-6969

\$535 NICE 1 bedroom. Fresh paint. Clean, quiet building. Walk to Lake, Grand, Transportation 836-1106

\$540 BEST ONE BEDROOM VALUE
High on hill near Lake Merritt, garage available 834-9471; 444-0276

\$540-\$575 1/2 OFF FIRST MONTH'S RENT
1 bedroom. Parking available. Quiet building with intercom. Laundry facilities and cable ready. Easy access to 580. Excellent location. Short walk to Grand and Lakeshore Avenues and Lake Merritt. Call Brian 836-1933

\$540 CHARMING Adams Point. Spacious, sparkling, Immaculate. Second floor, 1 bedroom. Well cared for building. Very nice tenants. Laundry, storage. Cat okay. 835-9679

\$540 NEAR LAKE modern building, balcony, dishwasher, nice carpet, secure laundry, garage. 530-5634

\$540 ONE bedroom. Pool and laundry. Best area, top of Rose Garden. 652-2148.

\$545 ONE bedroom near Piedmont, parking, \$500 total move-in. 612 Mariposa Ave. 655-5845

\$550 **★ FREE FIRST MONTH'S RENT ★**
Spacious 1 bedroom with HWD closets. Rent includes gas and electricity, quiet, well kept building. Close to 580 and buses. Halloween special 451-7274

\$550-\$755 1/2 OFF FIRST MONTH'S RENT
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\$540 CHARMING Adams Point. Spacious, sparkling, Immaculate. Second floor, 1 bedroom. Well cared for building. Very nice tenants. Laundry, storage. Cat okay. 835-9679

\$550-\$755 Adams Point, view/ hills, new stove/ refrigerator, carpet. Laundry. Quiet, well kept building. Close to 580 and buses. Halloween special 835-8089, 339-6036

\$550-\$680 ADAMS Point, Sharp, deluxe, spacious, dressing room, deck, parking. Closets galore. 839-2387, 524-3125

\$550 2200 LAKESHORE 1 bedroom, 1 bath, parking. Call June 465-4200

\$550 ADAMS Point, 335 Adams \$557, 524-526 31st Street, Oakland, extra large, off-street parking. 614-9077

\$550 FRESHLY painted, laundry, near San Francisco transportation, cable ready, no pet. 643 Beacon 521-6314

\$550 GREAT 1 bedroom. Clean, quiet building. Adams Point location. 3 blocks Lake, Grand, Transportation. 839-5161.

\$550 HUGE 1 bedroom. Bay view, quiet, hardwoods, utilities, parking. Pets negotiable. Lower Glenview 532-4026

\$550 LAKE MERRIT, sunny with spacious kitchen, balcony. Parking and free cable. 763-4019, 652-1252

\$550 NICE clean 1 Bedroom. Lovely courtyard. Sunny, Bright Walk 2 blocks Lake, Transportation 419-0584

\$550 ONE bedroom, unfurnished. New. Hardwood floors. Laundry. Near Lake Merritt. 1240 4th Ave. (510)339-1019.

\$550 PIEDMONT Ave. district, large, unfurnished 1 bedroom apartment, very clean, stove and refrigerator included. 58C Yosemite Ave. 893-5192.

\$550 SUNNY with panoramic view, converted Victorian, charming, near Park Blvd. Cats okay. 532-5040

\$555 CHARMING OLDER BUILDING
2530 8th Ave. 1 bedroom, lots of natural light, laundry closets. Call 531-6969.

\$565 ADAMS Point, 1 bedroom, nice garden courtyard with pool. Fresh paint, carpets and drapes. Coin laundry. Call 833-3707.

\$565 LARGE 1 bedroom, ample closet space, indoor parking, quiet building. First/ Last month plus \$300 cleaning deposit. 465-3319

\$565 VERY spacious 1 bedroom. Terrific Buy! Charming older building. Near Lake, Grand, Transportation. 451-7589.

**725 APT. FOR RENT
1 BEDROOMS****\$575 MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Bonus, Grand Lake, large, sunny, freshly painted, hardwoods, parking, laundry. Cat 841-9690

GARDEN SETTING

2540 Ivy Dr. - 1 bedroom. Hardwood, quiet tree filled setting, coin laundry. Call 531-6969

\$575 75 GLEN, 1 block Piedmont Ave. Quiet building, second floor, no parking/ pets. 832-7820

\$575 CHINA Hill, 1 bedroom, fireplace, nice neighborhood, 6 tenant house. 465-0277

\$575 DELIGHTFUL Rose Garden area. 1 bedroom. Walk to Grand, Laundry, parking included, new carpeting, elevator. No pets. Good transportation. 541 54th 601-7132

\$575 HALF block off Piedmont Ave. 1 bedroom, quiet, nice building, garden courtyard, wall-to-wall carpeting, laundry. Convenient to Kaiser, shopping and transportation. Cat okay. Nice area. Walk to BART and shopping. Call 633-7360 or 658-6978.

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El Cerrito & North

752 RICHMOND View area, 2 bed 3 bedrooms, large garage. Quiet. 232-4131

754 EL CERRITO 2 bedroom, quiet, private location. Sharp condition, new carpet! Agent Paul 530-2235

755 GREAT View 3 bedroom, 2 bath, family room, 2 fireplaces, deck, double garage 530-2235

756 El Cerrito hills 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, garage, fireplace, partial view, 530-5116

757 EXCITING new high-tech house 2 bedroom, 2 bath, big kitchen, dining room, fireplace, deck, yard, 2 garages, alarm, close to transportation, no pets! 254-0504

758 BEAUTIFUL 2 bedroom, 1½ bath, 2 bath, Redwood Heights. Hardwood floors, cathedral ceilings. (510)511-1064

759 COMFORTABLE Spanish style house, 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths, 2471 Burlington St. off Lincoln. May see on October 22nd, 11 am - 3 pm. For more information call 707-884-1608 evenings

760 THREE bedroom 2 bath, large kitchen, dining room school, quiet location. Discount Brokers 530-2235

Emeryville

760 TWO bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, laundry room, yard, good condition, convenient location 530-8077

Lamorinda & East

761 ORINDA 3 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious, nice yard, carpet, occupied second unit 530-4847

Oakland Piedmont & South

762 ARTISTIC 3 year old house, Laurel District, deck, washer/dryer, 2 bathrooms 530-2941

763 CHARMING Home, Dimond District. Living, dining, 1 bedroom and loft. Dishwasher, laundry, new, clean, bright, private Safe, convenient, pleasant neighborhood. Plus deposit 530-4799

757 HOMES FOR RENT 2 BEDROOMS

764 TWO bedroom home in Laurel District. Available November 1 or sooner. Modern kitchen, deck, walk-in closet, deck with private yard. Two steps to shopping, 1-800 access, AC Transit. Details and references, lease/option to buy available. House weekdays 5-6; weekends 3-4. 3467 Vista Ave 844-3759, leave message.

765 SUTER, walk to Laurel shops, hard wood floors, laundry, sunny, convenient, 530-4143, evenings

766 CHARMING 2 bedroom, 1 bath, newly remodeled, must see, 4481 Redding. Call 530-9430

767 MONTH or lease option. Near Mills College, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, traditional home. Hardwood floors, yard, garage. Must see! 635-8956, 239 before 8 p.m.

768 CHARMING 2 bedroom, 1 bath, newly remodeled, must see, 4481 Redding. Call 530-9430

769 TWIN bedroom, 1 bath, 3725 Coolidge remodeled. Plus deposit 800-426-6794

770 CHARMING, comfortable 2 bedroom house, carpet, hardwood, laundry, dining, 835 46th St. 530-482-2872

771 ROCKRIDGE 2 bedroom, newly renovated, carpeted, bathroom, dining room, hardwood floors, 531-5669

772 MONTCLAIR 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large windows, 1/2 bath, fireplace, deck, 530-1135

773 NEW 2 story duplex. Fireplace, huge kit. with dishwasher, skylight in bathroom, septic tank, garage. Pets negotiable. 254-7005

774 TWO bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, large windows, fireplace, deck, 531-5669

775 CROCKER Highlands, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, deck, 531-5669

776 POOLHOUSE, quiet, 2 bedrooms, 1+ bath, fireplace, parking, fenced, Oakland/San Leandro Hills 636-0841

777 MONTCLAIR 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1½ bath, formal dining, hardwoods, fireplace, laundry, yard, garage, 415-321-7273

778 NEW 2 story duplex. Fireplace, huge kit. with dishwasher, skylight in bathroom, septic tank, garage. Pets negotiable. 254-7005

779 SUNLIGHT, cheerful, hardwood floors, laundry, garage, dining. Non-smoking. 2851 Tudor 208-3588

780 OAKLAND, charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath on emerald green lot. Fireplace, all appliances, garage. Nice neighborhood. 4328 Bell Avenue, Kramer Real Estate Services 530-2000

781 MONTCLAIR secluded 3 level bungalow, carpet, kitchen, cabinets, paint etc. CPS. 444-0276

782 MONTCLAIR garden setting, walk to 2 bedroom, living room, fireplace, dining, hardwood floors, double garage, appliances, rent, lease, 339-8752

783 MEAR Piedmont Ave., charming, spacious, 2 baths, formal dining, powder room, fireplace, washer/dryer, new carpet, furnace, water heater, garage. 655-0179

784 RIDGEMONT 4 bedroom 3 bath, panoramic SF Bay view, 3 car, 3 decks. 415-243-9036

785 SPACIOUS and spotless 2 bedroom, 2 bath, family room. Only 8 years old. Fresh paint. Chris Christensen, Wells & Bennett 531-7000

786 MONTCLAIR area, woodsy, 2 bath, double vaulted ceilings, fireplace, very clean, 510-353-9341

787 EXCELLENT Condo, top floor. Herberger's, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, view, garage, patio, deck, 530-547-2266

788 MONTCLAIR cozy, rustic, two bedroom, 2 bath, hardwood floors, private yard, fireplace, deck, 531-8400

789 PEDMONT 2+ bedroom, 2 bath, spacious, hardwoods, fireplace, yard, gardener, 530-846-4663

790 JUPPER Rockridge 2 bedroom new home, Bay and Lake views, deck, balcony, parking, quiet cul-de-sac, garden, 2 on JC Campus, security guard and alarm 510-547-2266

791 HOMES FOR RENT 3 BEDROOMS

792 RESTORED Victorian, San Antonio Park 530-843-0413

TO PLACE A CLASSIFIED CALL 339-8777

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\$965 OR lease option, fixer upper, 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, fireplace, large fenced yard, parking. Credit check required at applicants expense 482-2225

\$1150 QUIET, Laurel neighborhood 3 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, large fenced yard, parking. Credit check required at applicants expense 482-2225

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\$1250 GLENVIEW 3+ bedroom, fireplace, attached garage, large storage, washer/dryer hook-up, near bus 814-5781

\$1250 PANORAMIC Lake views, charming old home, 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, sunroom, recreation room, basement, laundry, fenced yard, Wedgewood stove. Garage 2328 Lakeshore 451-4871

\$1275 PRIME Piedmont Ave., 2+ bedroom, formal dining room, living room, eat-in kitchen, hardwood floors, washer/dryer, off-street parking. 330-0275

\$1295 DIMONDA, 3 bedroom, master suite with separate entry, sauna. Double garage. November 1 415-284-4821

\$1295 HILLSIDE home surrounded by terraced hill in secluded stable neighborhood. Living, dining, kitchen, large living room. Washer/dryer, 2 fireplaces. Large separate area ideal for office! Call Ben 415-381-7449 or 415-368-3966 evenings

\$1400 LEASE 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 level Hill Bay. Views. Cul-de-sac location. 284-3700, #356

\$1400 MONTCLAIR sunny, 3 bridge view, hardwood floors, fireplace, decks, washer/dryer, garage, 1 bath, walk to trails, Village, 339-2101

\$1400 THREE plus bedrooms 2 baths, fireplace, yard and deck. 134 Mosses. 465-9064, 351-9163

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File No. 94-6022

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Amy Gamache, 465 W Richmond Ave.,

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The business is conducted by Individuals -

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Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-

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BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6097

The person is doing business as

Spiral Services, 3243 Santa Clara

Dr., San Jose, CA 95130

The business is conducted by an Individual

Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-

tra Costa County on September 27, 1994

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BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-5915

The person is doing business as

C. A. Dermatology Center, 781 Tennyson

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The business is conducted by an Individual

Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-

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BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6199

The person is doing business as

A & S Services, 3243 Santa Clara

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The business is conducted by an Individual

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ber 3, 1994

BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6023

The person is doing business as

Wedding & Party Planning Specialist,

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The business is conducted by an Individual

Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-

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Trustee Number: 14190-B

The trustee under a Deed of Trust

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At 10:00 AM, Attorneys Equity National

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of the Recorder of Contra Costa County,

Encoded by: Edward Polk, a single man,

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and pay the time of sale and in accordance

with the terms and conditions of the Deed of

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-5781

The following person is doing business as

Bay Area Detailing, 1235 Tudor Ct., Concord, CA

94521

Stephen Charles Gwizdak, 1326 Tudor Ct., Concord, CA 94521

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-5881

The following person is doing business as

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6381

The following person is doing business as

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Statement was filed with County Clerk of Con-

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6143

The following person is doing business as

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 94-6073

The following person is doing business as

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Harry Kern, 801 Southampton Rd., #69, Benicia, CA 94510

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Melinda L. Johnson, P.O. Box 565, Rodeo, CA 94572

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This business is conducted by an individual

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Letters

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Planning Commissioner,
1978-1992.
Albany resident since 1968)

P.S. The last time I was at the track was about fifteen years ago. I either won or lost eight dollars. I don't remember which. I didn't consider it to be gambling; I chalked it up to entertainment. I would do the same thing for cards.

Time for change

Editor:

On Nov. 8, 1994, El Cerrito voters will vote on Proposition F, the Redevelopment Plan Amendment. The amendment will extend for 20 more years the life of this plan, which expired in November, 1992, as well as increase the Redevelopment Agency's borrowing limit from \$30 million to \$80 million, and the amount of property taxes it can divert from the city and many other taxing agencies, from \$50 million to \$250 million.

Property taxes diverted from the county, schools, hospitals, BART, and agencies such as East Bay Regional Park District, and Mosquito Abatement District, have already and will continue to result in assessments (property tax increases). Your tax bill now reflects assessments by Mosquito Abatement, Park District and the School District. Contra Costa County asks us to approve a library assessment. Please know that county-wide redevelopment cost the county's General Fund \$53.5 million during fiscal year 1991-92 alone. Of course, library funding was cut. El Cerrito's Redevelopment Agency (RDA) took from the city's General Fund approximately \$450 thousand this past year. These are OUR tax dollars which are used to subsidize private developers!

Five people, the City Council, also sitting as the Redevelopment Agency, have total control of the millions of dollars of property taxes so diverted. Over the last 17 years, the RDA's track record has been very poor. The agency is approximately \$14 million in debt, about \$10 million for only two projects, Target and Del Norte Place. There are, in addition, outstanding, unsecured notes to private property owners with balloon payments totaling over \$1 million. Yet these folks crowd about \$250,000 per year in sales tax which Target supposedly brings to the city. To give the RDA authority to borrow another \$50 million to be spent so recklessly is sure to result in more and more assessments! It is imperative that property owners know the truth.

If Measure F is approved, the taxpayers will have NOTHING to say about where our tax dollars go, or to whom, for 20 years. This is our last chance to avert more and more assessments due to revenue lost to redevelopment. The time is NOW!

I will welcome calls from all El Cerrito voters, pro or con at 235-8834.

Beverley Gent

Support questioned

Editor:

Even a quick glance through recent letters to the editor about Albany's Measure F reveals that Ladbrooke has succeeded in winning (buying?) the hearts and minds of a majority of our City Council members, the City administration, our chief of police, the fire department, and many of the long-time residents of Albany. I'm sure it will not escape the notice of your readers that it seems almost everyone who supports Measure F is doing so out of crass self-interest.

The sitting City Council members are looking for a quick and easy way out of the budget turmoil all local governments in California have been experiencing for the past several years, undoubtedly worrying about their chances for re-election next time around if they have to (gasp!) raise taxes for necessary services.

The police and fire departments candidly admit that they want the cardroom revenue so they can have higher salaries.

Many long-time (pre-Prop 13) residents of Albany want to maintain a grossly unfair system of taxation that allows them to pay one-tenth of the property taxes recent homeowners have to pay for the same quality of life in this community.

Blinded by the dollar signs in their eyes, the supporters of Measure F ignore the huge economic and social costs cardroom gambling will impose on our community. The costs of increased crime, traffic congestion, and—perhaps most importantly—litigation over the environmental impacts of the

cardroom will likely offset the increased revenue from the project for years to come.

Supporters of Measure F also gloss over the important differences between "cardroom/casino" gambling and the horse racing that has gone on at GGF for many years.

In essence, cardrooms rent out tables to gamblers who go head-to-head with other gamblers in high-stakes games of luck, with only a dash of skill and a large measure of ego. Just imagine the thousands of disappointed gamblers each year

who will drag themselves out of the cardroom at all hours of the day AND night, angry at their opponents because of their losses. Horse-racing fans who lose money at the parimutuel windows have no identifiable opponent on whom to take out their frustrations.

When interpersonal cardroom conflicts spill out onto the streets of Albany, do you for a minute believe that Ladbrooke will bear any of the cost? Even if there is extra security on the premises, the corporation will not be the one to suffer the conse-

quences of violent clashes that spread into our community.

Horse-racing fans also know that there is pervasive state regulation of every aspect of that industry (background checks and registration of jockeys, owners, trainers, employees; drug screening for horses and riders; financial accounting standards to prevent skimming and other improprieties, etc.).

There is no comparable regulatory apparatus in place to ensure that cardroom gambling operations are conducted honestly, fairly, and

safely.

I oppose Measure F because it's WRONG. It's WRONG to build a budget around revenue raised by taxing people's addictions. It is WRONG to teach our children that we do not have the courage as citizens to tighten our belts when necessary, and tax ourselves equitably to maintain the quality of life we all came to Albany to enjoy.

It's WRONG for our elected officials to cave in to a wealthy corporate entity—the quintessential "special interest group"—that does

not and will not care how our community life, so long as it makes millions. Please do the right thing. Vote NO on Measure F.

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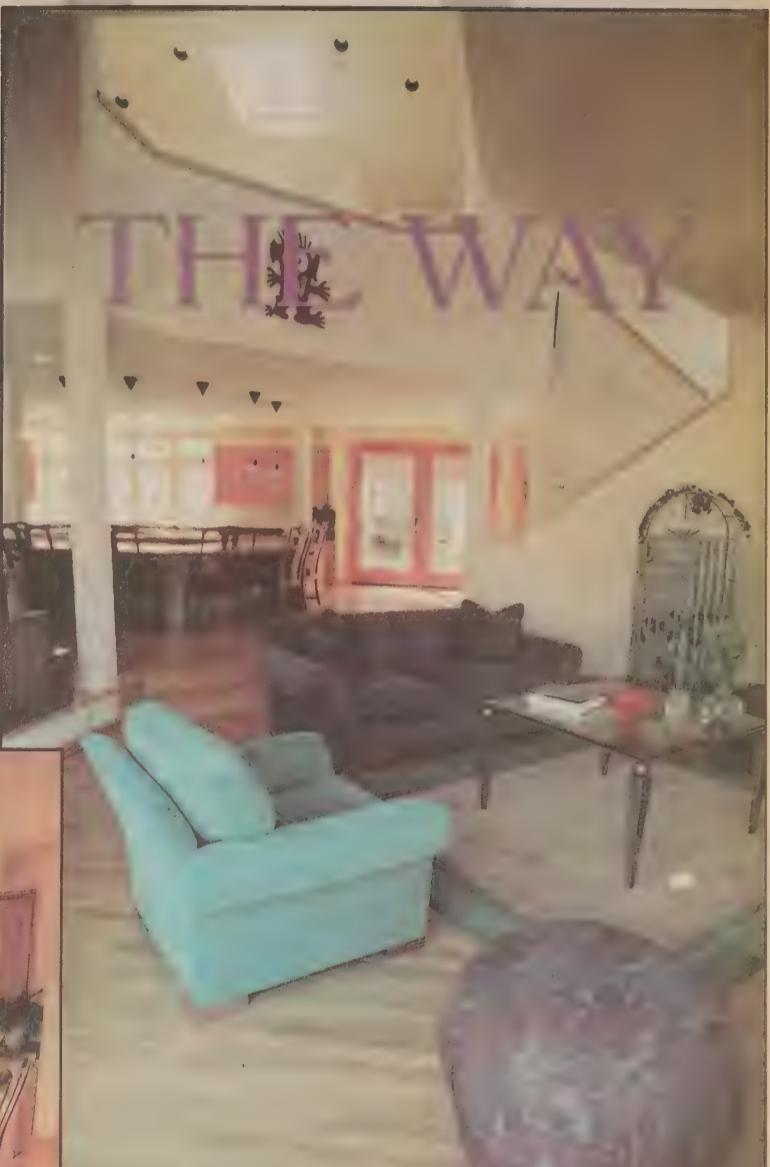
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The Holidays Are Coming! The Holidays Are Coming!



Learn how to personalize your Christmas ornaments with your very own creations at the one day holiday workshops at Studio One Art Center.

By Nicole Mitchell

The holiday season is fast approaching. Weekends on the social calendar will soon be highlighted, noting planned festive gatherings with family and friends.

Whether you are entertaining at home for adults, children, business associates or club members, interior and exterior decorations can add the finishing touch to the party.

Mary O'Neill of Design Events, a company that specializes in focusing on every detail of entertaining, says that

the use of theme oriented fabrics coupled with eclectic and charming serving pieces, arranged on levels "to create a visually compelling area," can add magic to holiday gatherings.

However you should "go beyond the table," says O'Neill. "Focus on all the rooms being used for a party, including the entry and outdoor areas.... Group objects d'art, move one or two pieces of furniture, integrate natural elements from the garden or change a light source."

The bathroom can be trans-

formed into a witch's cavern for Halloween by changing the color of the lightbulbs to a spooky black or an eerie orange hue.

Have fun with the ordinary fixtures by putting cobwebs on the shower curtain and a pumpkin lantern on the commode.

For Thanksgiving, a trip to your local flower market can provide you with all the makings for a first rate cornucopia. Using a horn shaped basket, fill it to the brim with symbols of the autumn harvest: squashes,

wheat stalks, Indian corn and dried flowers.

A unique addition to a Christmas decor could be hanging ornaments from a dining room chandelier or from favorite house plants, not just the tree.

The idea is to be creative and have fun. At what other time of the year can you get away with having a living room window filled with cobwebs or a six-foot coniferous tree planted in your family room?

If you need a hand at unleashing your creative side or if you just want an outlet, Studio One Art Center will be offering a series of one day holiday workshops in November and December.

Featured classes range from learning the art of making beeswax candles, earrings and pins, ornaments and sun catchers (stained glass,) pop-up cards or Raffia and rag wire dolls to workshops on photo/print matting.

A Sculpey Holiday Ornaments workshop for parents and children ages 6 and up will also be offered.

For a detailed list of these special holiday art classes offered by Studio One, a program of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department, see the schedule above.

As for me, my favorite addition to the home decor during the holiday seasons is candles.

I love the warm and cozy feeling that emits from a house filled with candles tucked safely into hurricane lanterns.

Perhaps I should check out that Beeswax Candles workshop myself.

To contact Mary O'Neill of Design Events, call 547-5175.

May everyone safely and merrily see the New Year!

The Studio One Art Center, a program of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department, located at 365 45th St. in Oakland, will be offering a series of one day holiday craft workshops.

The following is a partial listing of the workshops offered:

- Beeswax Candles: Nov. 14
- Earrings and Pins: Dec. 3
- Ornaments and Sun Catchers: Nov. 30
- Photo/Print Matting: Nov. 29
- Pop-up Cards: Nov. 28
- Raffia and Rag Wire Dolls: Nov. 30
- Sculpey Holiday Ornaments: Dec. 3

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Premier Kitchens opened its first showroom in Hayward in the summer of 1987. At that time new construction was at a very high level thus the company geared most of its efforts in that direction.

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This intense effort resulted in Premier Kitchens becoming the Bay Area leader in offering its customers the best cabinetry for their budget.

When the slowdown in the economy caused new construction to drop off, Premier Kitchens shifted its emphasis from new construction to the remodeling market.

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Kitchens opened its second showroom in the beautiful Orinda Theatre Square.

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Molly McGowan adds a unique look to a bathroom decor.

Molly McGowan is on the move

Molly McGowan Interiors has been in business in the Montclair area for 13 years and in the past year has shared space with Pelago at 6134 Medau Place.

Currently Molly McGowan Interiors is in the process of relocating to temporary quarters upstairs at 6218 La Salle Ave.

In March 1995, Molly McGowan Interiors will move to its new location downstairs at 6218 La Salle Ave. and approximately one month later will also open McGowan & Co., a retail shop at the same location.

McGowan & Co. will carry an interesting collection of home accessories, furniture and gifts.

Molly McGowan Interiors will continue to offer complete interior design

services.

The professionals at Molly McGowan Interiors believe in helping their clients to achieve the best possible result when working with them on their homes, whether they are building, remodeling or redecorating.

Their intention is to accomplish this with the best design for each situation, the specification of quality furniture and materials, and by passing on the maximum amount of savings possible for their clients.

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Lighting your way this winter



View The Studio collection

The Studio Antiques, one of the East Bay's most prestigious antique stores for the past 24 years, is now offering its most extensive and impressive display ever of lighting for the fall and winter months.

This collection of residential lighting devices includes table lamps, floor lamps, light sconces and chandeliers of many traditional styles and descriptions; it includes period fixtures from the English Georgian style through the Victorian era and into the Art Nouveau and Arts & Crafts styles.

Studio owner, Ken Hensley, has spent the past year collecting a myriad of antique articles to be wired as interesting and unusual table lamps including: a 1920s bronze "bridge lamp," several early 20th century lamps with colorful stained glass shades, converted Victorian oil lamps, Murano glass lamps, and a selection of antique bronze-based lamps with unique mica shades.

In addition, The Studio offers an unusual collection of Victorian Edwardian period style lamps with custom embroidered

silk shades with fringe and beading to fit every fantasy. Shiny brass candlesticks, provocative wood carvings, exotic baskets, porcelains of all kinds and exquisite antique glass complete the inventory of objects made into lamps to complement any decor.

As the "dark season" comes upon us, look into The Studio for a unique lighting device to brighten your home; and remember to peruse the shop for an exceptional array of antique furnishings and accessories to enhance your holiday season.

Pelago has a loyal following

Pelago, located at 6134 Medau Place, has been open in the Village just over a year. Offering a wide range of unique gifts and home furnishings and accessories, Pelago has made quite an impact on the area.

Owner Bill Fidrych says, "We've been very pleased with the way Montclair has reacted to our store and the welcome we have felt from the community."

According to Fidrych, the biggest obstacle Pelago has had to overcome in the past year is letting people know where they are. "We have had to work a bit harder being located off of the main street. But, once people know we are here, the come

back!" It is no wonder given the variety of merchandise and the affordability.

While many items are hand-picked from destinations in Asia, Central America and Europe, some of Pelago's most popular items come from Montclair and other Bay Area artists.

"We try to find interesting pieces that you may not be able to find in other stores," says Fidrych. "And because many items are bought directly, we can offer them to our customers at fair prices." It's a strategy which seems to be paying off.

With the holidays fast approaching, Pelago appears ready for holiday shoppers.

Fidrych explains that, buying for this holiday, we have tried to find items that would appeal to customers for gifts in a wide range.

Indeed, with choices from hand-carved wooden apples to painted olive oil jugs to hand-blown glass vases, it seems to be something for everyone.



Cupola will be featured in the Blackhawk House Tour Dec. 2-3. For information call 283-9999.

The East Bay's own flower wholesaler

Finally, a wholesale Flower Market open to the public in the East Bay! Now you don't have to travel to San Francisco to buy flowers. A Separate Arrangement is a 20,000-square-foot bright

orange-colored warehouse at 5758 Shellmound in Emeryville. It has been the supplier for over 60 retailers in the Bay Area since 1986. They buy direct from 200 growers from all over the world. In addition to offering cut flow-

ers and plants, A Separate Arrangement is offering holiday items-topiaries, wreaths and arrangements at wholesale prices. They also do arrangements for weddings and special events.

For over 10 years, Cupola has been providing a choice variety of home accessories and gift items for Bay Area decorators and shoppers. Located in Lafayette, this specialty store caters to a wide variety of customers; those looking to decorate a room or those searching for that perfect gift.

The selection of dishes range from Crabtree & Evelyn and Arthur Court to Port Meirion. One can also find a vast array of greeting cards and boxed note cards as well as specialty clothing.

"We also carry the Muffy VanderBear collection," says

owner Jaimie Eberle. On Nov. 20, from noon p.m., Cupola will present special Christmas open house. Everything in the store will be reduced 15 percent. Come in and see the holiday displays.

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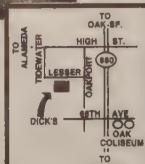
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Margaret Hutchinson is rarely seen lounging around. She's one of the several dynamic sales people at Khyber Crossings in Montclair, a specialty store that has heirloom quality home accessories.

Ashby's Waterworks Bath & Kitchen showroom has been a phenomenal success attracting customers from all over the Bay Area with excellent prices and an unmatched availability of products. Customers are encouraged to browse the showroom to view a range of products and get ideas.

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See ASHBY, page 11

Betty Mertens, owner of The Decorating Den — Montclair, is pleased to announce that she will offer an exciting Grand Opening window treatment workshop at the Montclair Women's Club, 1650 Mountain Blvd., Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m.

The workshop will feature before and after pictures of windows that have been redone utilizing innovative and creative designing techniques.

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The Decorating Den offers a full furniture line, as well as draperies, wall coverings, carpets and other interior decorating items.

Mertens received extensive training in decorating before she opened up her Montclair franchise.

"What is extremely important to us is quality and service," says Mertens.

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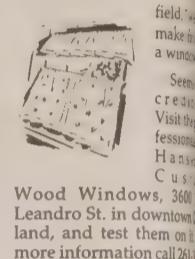
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Theodore William, Ltd. opens Oakland showroom

Theodore William, Ltd. has announced plans to open a floral design and display showroom in Oakland. Owner Ted Dawson has created a Christmas Wonderland to showcase his considerable design talents. The showroom evokes memories of Christmas long ago, when beauty, abundance and childhood wonderment were the rule and not exception.

Mr. Dawson learned his craft designing sets, sound and lighting, in many of our local theaters and honed his skills on several off-Broadway productions in New York. In addition, he has worked as an event planner and has done design and

management for many Bay Area floral shops. The combination of these talents are obvious in the new showroom which at first glance seems a bit like an E ticket ride at Disneyland, complete with life size Santa and mechanical bears and elves.

There is something for everyone here. Many of the intimate and cozy displays are reminiscent of the elaborate Christmas windows once a mainstay of downtown Oakland.

While the company services many corporate clients, a real effort has been made to cater to individual homes, and in fact most of the displays are small enough to fit the average size

living room. In addition to creating these grand holiday designs, they also carry an impressive display of exquisite ornaments, trees, wreaths, and decorations.

While the showroom is currently showcasing Christmas designs, Theodore William, Ltd. offers design service for all occasions. In addition, they can deliver flowers or gourmet food baskets anywhere in the country.

A grand opening of the showroom is planned for Saturday, Nov. 5 and Sunday, Nov. 6 in Oakland. The public is invited and asked to call for times. 531-0247.



The new Oakland showroom will have exciting and beautiful displays with a holiday theme on view for the public Nov. 5 and 6.

Showcasing a homes potential

Traditions, a fine furniture, accessories and antique store at 1530 Olympic Blvd. in Walnut Creek, can easily double as a gallery.

A stroll through the 10,000-square-foot, multi-level shop, crowded with pockets of country-style rooms, exposes exhibits of high backed brass beds draped with appliquéd quilts. A venture up one of the many small staircases reveals a replica of a European country home, complete with tile roof and sunflower-embellished, terra cotta walls.

Presently, this unique store,

Antique dressers are topped with eucalyptus wreaths, poppy and wheat centerpieces and golden pumpkin garlands.

owned by Barbara and Roland Wentzel, is brimming with reminders of fall.

Heavy pine, farm-style tables are laden with brass jugs of dried leaves in shades of rust and gold, and bulbous gourds line the stairways. Antique dressers are topped with eucalyptus wreaths, poppy and wheat centerpieces and golden pumpkin garlands.

"The original idea (behind Traditions' elaborate displays) was that we wanted to provide a unique assortment of merchandise for the home, but so people could see it and visualize it in their homes," says co-owner Roland Wentzel.

Manager Betsy Kain says that

although the store is called Traditions, it has a very eclectic feel.

"We try to bring in things that display the traditional look with a flare and with pizazz," she said.

The professional design staff focuses on classic and timeless themes, rather than following the latest trends.

"We do some country, but its country with an air of sophistication," says Joan Papathakis, design consultant.

The design staff collects items from around the world and spe-

cializes in European goods. They rarely rely on mainstream manufacturers, preferring to offer custom-made and hand painted pieces.

Store displays are frequently changed and new merchandise arrives daily, allowing customers to continually expand their home collections. Traditions also offers classes in design, floral decorating on an ongoing basis.

The store is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday.

The Studio One Art Center, 365 45th St. in Oakland, is offering a series of one-day holiday craft workshops. See page 2 for a detailed schedule.

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The smart shoppers guide to purchasing art in the '90s

By Doris Pate



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You were given the opportunity to graphically express yourself and delight in your finished creation. Your art experience was fun and happy, and there were no rights or wrongs to your drawings. All-in-all art made you feel happy!

Art is sometimes defined as an inner expression of ones emotions, a portrayal of a memory, a pleasing compliment to ones environment, a present day document of happy images that make you feel good, or a statement of quality for which you deserve to be surrounded with.

Whatever response among other definitions you may have, I can assure you that every individual that hangs a piece of art on the wall does it because it is an enhancement to the quality of their lives.

Now, how do you find this art that is very much needed in the recreation of your soul for happiness and enhancement to your home? Very simple. You should use the expertise of an art consultant. An art consultant is highly trained in all subject areas of art and can save you many

hours of searching for what you are looking for. Rather than travel from poster store, department store, or numerous galleries to acquire the proper art you should experience working with an art consultant who will be able to give you exactly what you are looking for.

Art consultants that have showrooms do not normally charge for appointments to acquire artwork. When you are working with an architect or designer it is the best idea to have an art consultant working with your team to save your project time and money, especially if you want the best overall selection. The small amount of fees required for an art consultant are hourly or added to the purchased artwork.

Art consultants provide appraisal services, selections of all mediums of artwork (including statuary), framing, installation of art, and investment counseling.

Consultants, especially certified appraisers, know the current prices of art in the market place.

Furthermore, all of your art needs are met when you use an art consultant and you are assured of your purchase, plus you have fun finding what you really like.

Doris Pate is a consultant at Montclair Fine Art Gallery, 2071 Mountain Blvd., Suite C. She can be reached at 339-7262.



Question: What do, Nantucket Island, interior decorating and Berkeley have in common?

Answer: Gail Sharretts.

This acclaimed artisan, who is well known for her mural designs on corporate and residential properties on

the East Coast, has relocated to the East Bay area and has established the Fine Arts and Interiors studio in Berkeley.

Sharretts, who majored in sculpture at the Schuler School of Fine Arts in Baltimore, Md., spent several years as an apprentice to such artistic masters as William Harrison, Janet Pope

and Susan Hayes.

Although primarily an artist of canvas and sculpture, Sharretts has marketed her talents successfully for interior decorating and enhancements.

Most notably, after Sharretts redesigned the interior of The Chanticleer Restaurant on Nantucket the restaurant went on to

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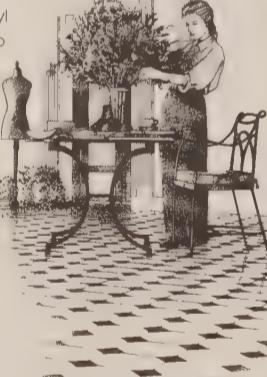
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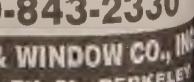
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Successful bathroom remodeling

By Robert Alan Wolf — Architect

 It takes more than smoke and mirrors to make magic when planning your bathroom remodeling project. You have to assemble all the ingredients before the spell can be cast.

Many bathrooms in need of remodeling can be anywhere from 20-50 years old. They may have been re-tiled a few times or, never at all. The fixtures may be worn and old.

These bathrooms have the window placed generally in or near the tub area, there is only one light fixture in the ceiling and there is limited space and little storage. These features don't fit the needs of today's families. Before starting the remodeling endeavor take a good look at the project and get an overall view.

Begin by looking for ways to add additional space to the room.

One method may be to expand into a portion of an adjacent closet or room. There are also ways of adding space from within the room.

Add cabinets where a pedestal sink exists or extend a narrower counter top over the water closet (toilet) or enlarge the medicine cabinets. A large surfaced mounted medicine cabinet can add visually to the size of the room and add storage for toiletries.

Lighting can really steal the show and versatility in light is the key.

Increasing the natural lighting using skylights and glass block walls can create a feeling of light and openness while retaining privacy. Comfortable ambient lighting levels can be achieved using a central overhead fixture, but task lighting is necessary to increase lighting levels in key locations, such as over the mirror for personal grooming.

Ground fault circuit interrupters are a safe and worthwhile addition to any bathroom. They are a required replacement of the old duplex outlet and can save a life by automatically turning off the

electricity to that outlet in the event of a short circuit.

When considering whether to keep or discard fixtures, remember that often a new water closet next to an old tub marks the tub as being tired and aged. There are refinishing techniques available, but contemplate whether keeping an old tub when you are planning other extensive work is justified. Sometimes, with more than one bathroom in a house, a tub can be replaced by a shower with two shower heads. This generally works well off a master bedroom.

Faucets, controls, shower heads and accessories come in a variety of types and finishes. Chrome and painted finishes tend to fare better in moist areas than brass. Grab bars in the bath and toilet areas can be very useful in preventing injury and double as towel rods.

An operable window is always welcome in a bathroom, but not always possible. Adequate ventilation in a room which is usually moist is critical. A good exhaust fan will diminish the amount of mildew and cleaning required. The fan should exhaust to the exterior of the house not to an attic or crawl space and have a timer switch.

Additional heating may be provided with heat lamps or even with a toe-kick heater if the room is frequently cool. The heater can assist in drying out the room.

Generally ceramic tile is used on shower walls, however, the grout lines tend to collect dirt and mildew. Some of the new synthetic materials can make a seamless wall that is easy to clean and won't collect mildew. Some marble tiles can be porous and easy to stain; be careful to discuss the best tiles to use with your tile installer. Consider using shelves and niches on the inside of the shower to accommodate toiletries.

Lastly, to create the most striking and magical transformation, bring together all the ingredients

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On a pleasant Autumn day, much like this one, a man traveled through the Crestmont neighborhood knocking on doors asking to speak with "Robert." Some residents answered through their doors: "You have the wrong address." Some weren't home. Some went to the door, saw they didn't know the person, and went on about their business.

The next day one of the homes (where the mysterious visitor had approached but was not received) was burglarized.

"Any connection?" asked the unfortunate Oakland hills resident. "Probably so," replied the local police. "He was probably scouting homes to see who worked during the day and who was at home."

A week later, the Crestmont area resident invested in a security system for the home.

Although burglary rates have reportedly decreased in the last couple of years, the number of customers seeking home or office security systems have skyrocketed.

Because of recent technological advances and market driven

forces, "prices have come down," says Ed Jenks, vice president and chief operating officer for Bay Alarm. "Security has become affordable for everyone."

Over the past couple of years, Bay Alarm has seen a forty percent increase in customers. However the new security system customer is not necessarily the home or business owner. Bay Alarm frequently services condominium and apartment dwellers as well as renters.

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Pumpkin Pie Cake

Difficulty level: 2

Prep time: 10 min. • Baking time: 1 1/2 hours

Ingredients:
 4 eggs, slightly beaten
 1 can (20 oz.) pumpkin
 1 can (13 oz.) evaporated milk
 1 1/2 c. sugar
 1 tsp. salt
 1 tsp. cinnamon
 1 tsp. ginger
 1 yellow cake mix
 1 c. chopped nuts
 1 c. margarine, melted

Method:
 Mix together eggs, pumpkin, milk, sugar, salt, cinnamon and ginger. Pour into a greased and floured 9x13 non-metal pan.

Mix nuts cake mix, and margarine. Pour batter on top of mixture in pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 1/2 hours. Serve with whipped cream.



Z

Zucchini Spice Cake

Difficulty Level: 2

Prep Time: 15 min. • Baking time: 1 1/2 hours

Ingredients:
 2 c. flour, sifted
 1 Tbsp. cinnamon
 2 tsp. baking soda
 1 tsp. salt
 1/4 tsp. baking powder
 3 eggs
 2 c. sugar
 1 c. vegetable oil
 1 Tbsp. vanilla
 2 c. zucchini, grated, raw
 1 c. walnuts, chopped
 1 tsp. cloves, ground
 1 tsp. nutmeg, ground

Method:

In one bowl stir dry ingredients (except sugar and walnuts) together. In a separate larger bowl beat eggs until frothy, add sugar, oil and vanilla — beat until thick and lemon colored. Stir in zucchini, blend in dry ingredients and fold in walnuts. Pour batter into two greased and floured loaf pans and bake at 350 degrees for 1 1/2 hours. Remove from pan and cool on wire rack. Note: mixing by hand prevents zucchini and walnuts from becoming finely chopped.


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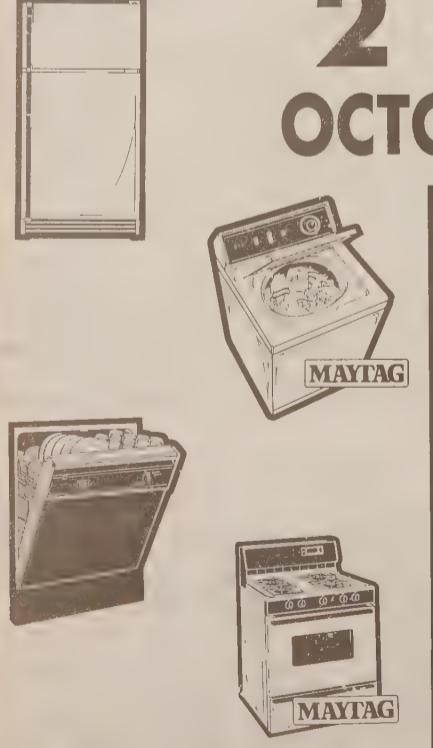
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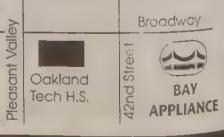
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On a crisp autumn morning in Berkeley, Alta Tingle, owner and creative force behind The Gardener, is doing what she does best.

As she scurries about the store moving merchandise and juxtaposing textures and shapes, incorporating new items into the ever-changing displays, she exudes an energy that is infectious to those around her.

The staff responds to her electricity. Customers are drawn to her. The swirl of activity goes on as the beautiful autumnal days rise about her.

From the hand crafted English and Japanese tools, organic seeds and soft goatskin gloves, displayed on an antique nursery cart in the front of the store, to the pristine array of vases in a variety of materials — iron, zinc, glass, bamboo and even stone — artisans from San Francisco to Japan, the store is alive with products selected by Tingle from around the world that all combine to stimulate the senses on many levels.

"There are three things that people who love the garden absolutely identify with," Tingle says. "That is light, scent and texture, which is what I try to bring together in the store."

The Gardener was born in 1984 under a harvest moon on the once off-the-beaten-track Fourth Street, which is now, largely due to The Gardener, a bustling center for shops and restaurants as well as offices for some of the city's leading architects and designers.

Tingle, a former landscape designer and teacher, was attracted to the area's open spaces and light.

From the beginning her vision was one of bringing the



Alta Tingle believes truly in bringing the fundamental characteristics of the outside in.

home and garden together.

"My attitude is that the home and the garden are integrally related, not separate entities," explains Tingle. "I feel I'm addressing the sensibilities of one who knows and enjoys the garden."

Images of the garden and nature are evident in the products throughout the store. Many of the vases reflect the organic shapes and random formations of the outdoors.

There is furniture and wall fixtures made from found objects or recycled materials and literal images from the animal and plant world to be found on ceramics, linens and fine art pieces.

A broad array of garden books can be found as well as a select group of cookbooks and books about art that derives its inspiration from the natural world.

Furniture is a decidedly focal point at The Gardener. Tingle

imports tables from Italy with stone tops that are quarried from a centuries old process, each with its own distinctive marbling and patina.

From Indonesia come many antiques including teak dining tables, chairs and handcarved trunks and cabinets.

The U.S. is included as well with various chairs and tables designed and built by American craftspeople.

The day is winding down at The Gardener and Tingle is arranging some of the bounty of the season. She places a basket on a table, brimming with rice still on the stalk.

A galvanized pail is loaded with sheaves of wheat and a large slate black bowl made by Bennington Potters in Vermont reveals the multi-colored gourds and squashes that seem to epitomize fall.

And at the center of it all are

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Fall planting for spring blossoms

Traditionally considered a time for raking leaves, carving pumpkins, hay rides, and football games, autumn is also the best time for planting flowering bulbs.

Easy to plant and cultivate, bulb blossoms will thrive next spring if they are given a hospitable growing environment and are properly groomed this fall for winter dormancy.

Because fall weather conditions are mild in the Bay Area, most gardeners recommend refrigerating bulbs for a four to six week period. The best place is in the vegetable crisper because the temperature can be regulated. Bulbs should be stored at 45 degrees and away from most fruits, particularly apples, bananas and oranges. This is because the bulbs release gaseous fumes that can poison these types of fruits. For safety, most gardeners recommend storage in an alternate refrigerator, or one not in regular use.

Bulbs should also be protected from foraging animals by soaking them in a non-hazardous, aversive tasting repellent prior to planting.

Bulb Varieties

The most difficult part of planting spring-flowering bulbs is choosing from among the hundreds of species and hybrids available. Some of the most sought after varieties include:

Tulips — The most popular of all spring-flowering bulbs, tulips offer gardeners a wide range of choices in height, color, shape and bloom time.

Narcissus — More commonly referred to as daffodils, this winter-hardy flower comes in many



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shapes and colors. These bulbs develop extensive root systems in fall and provide better flowering results in colder climates.

Muscari — Nicknamed the "Grape Hyacinth," these tiny, bright purple flowers multiply quickly and resemble bunches of upturned grapes. Flowers stay in bloom for one to three weeks and thrive in sun or shade. They are an excellent choice for borders.

Chionoxa — Commonly known as "Glory-of-the-Snow," this spring flower blooms in loose clusters of white, blue or pink, and can vary from three to 10 inches in height. This bulb type is an ideal plant for borders and rock gardens.

Planting Tips

Whether they are planted individually or in groups, spring-flowering bulbs will thrive and flourish if you follow these few simple planting procedures:

Prepare the soil — Once the planting bed has been selected, turn the soil over to a depth of about 10 inches to aerate the site and give bulb roots ample room to grow. Quick to rot if left in standing water, spring-flowering

bulbs flourish best in light, well-drained soil. Where necessary, condition soil with fertilizer as required.

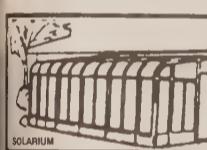
Plant at proper depth — Using a bulb planter or trowel to dig holes, the general rule of thumb is to plant bulbs to a depth of three times their overall height. With the soil removed to the required depth, lightly press bulbs into place bottom side down (the flat side is the bottom), return the soil, and water thoroughly.

Remember, if bulbs are planted too shallow the freezing and thawing of surrounding soil may interrupt their dormant phase, permanently damaging root systems and limiting your chance of bright, healthy blossoms.

Protect against pests — Bulbs are a tasty treat for many hungry creatures, such as mice, moles, squirrels and chipmunks. To keep these animals from making a restaurant out of your garden, soak each bulb for a minute, prior to planting, in a non-hazardous and ecologically-sound repellent that works on the principle of aversive taste.

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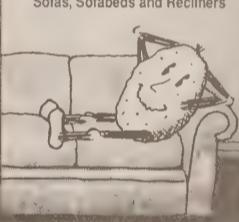
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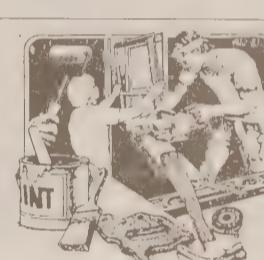
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According to Cowger, on any given day, expect to find six to eight professional interior designers, "not just salespeople," who advise all varieties of customers on their decor needs.

"We know what we're talking about," says Cowger. "All of us are ASID members. We understand blueprints and architect's drawings and we can advise the customer accordingly."

House calls, consultations in the home and floor and furniture plans are all services that

We understand blueprints and architect's drawings and we can advise the customer accordingly.

PATTI COWGER

the Sunrise professionals provide.

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Sunrise Interiors is constantly working on finding ways to bet-

ter serve their clientele.

"We receive a lot of our furnishings from High Point, N.C.," says Cowger. "We are working on increasing our supply from West Coast manufacturers to cut down on delivery time." It takes two to four weeks for delivery from West Coast suppliers as opposed to the eight to 12 weeks required of East Coast manufacturers.

"We are also developing a fabric room where we will be buying all fabrics mill-direct so we can pass on the savings to our customers," says Cowger.

Sunrise Interiors is located at 831 B Street in San Rafael. The store hours are 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon - 5 p.m. on Sundays. The store is closed on Mondays. Call (415) 456-3939.

Hand woven Turkish rugs

Kilim Hand Woven Rugs is a most unusual Oriental rug store. Located in Kings Beach (North Lake Tahoe,) the store is one of the largest importers of Turkish kilims in the world.

Two times a year Alan Mortgenstern, owner of Kilim, brings his huge selection of rugs to Berkeley for a two-day sale. This year's fall sale is set for Saturday, Nov. 5 and Sunday, Nov. 6, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at 1635 Dwight Way (between Jefferson and McGee.)

"Although it's so much work to bring down so many rugs, there is just nobody in the Bay Area who has our selection or can compete with our prices,"

says Mortgenstern.

Although kilims are still handwoven in Turkey, most new kilims do not have the craftsmanship of the older ones. Most new kilims are woven to be sold, while most of the older ones were woven by nomads for the weaver's own use. Most of the kilims Mortgenstern brings to Berkeley are 20 to 50 years old, and some were woven more than 100 years ago.

And anytime you're going to the mountains, you can see these wonderful rugs at Kilim Hand Woven Rugs, 8675 North Lake Blvd., Kings Beach (North Lake Tahoe,) 96143, or call 916-546-4011 for information.

By Zoe Klippert

Jeanette Sanderson helps her clients create living and working environments that are beautiful, functional and reflective of their personalities.

As principal of Sanderson Design, she approaches all projects, large and small, with the same commitment to quality and value.

The firms' residential clients are busy people, who run the gamut from young professionals to sports personalities to empty nesters.

They have an idea of what they want; but they rely on Jeanette to help them through the maze of available furnishings, materials and installation techniques.

Often they are pleasantly surprised by her ability to provide higher quality at lower cost than they could have obtained by shopping or contracting on their own.

The range of options is nowhere more apparent than in the process of selecting a new window covering.

When Jeanette arrives for a consultation, she brings more than samples. She brings her formal training in design, as well as the pragmatic orientation that goes with her business degree from USC.

She sees the window in terms of its potential to enhance an entire room.



Formal design training coupled with a USC business degree Jeanette Sanderson to give superior design advice to her clients.

In her capable hands, a portable computer facilitates a comprehensive survey of fabric and design alternatives — and an immediate quote, to which Sanderson Design is committed.

But Jeanette's responsibility does not end when she places an order.

"My job," she says, "is to come in and help people create distinctive environments that will stand the test of time."

She has an innate sense of the subtle interplay of large design elements with smaller accessories, and she works to achieve a balance between aesthetic excellence and livability.

That means paying attention to how each item fits into the overall environment equally important, into budget.

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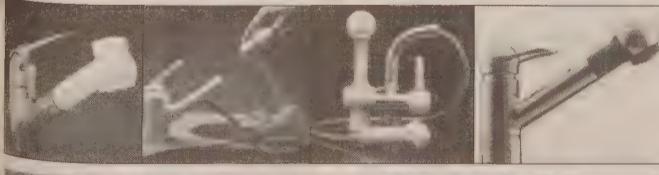
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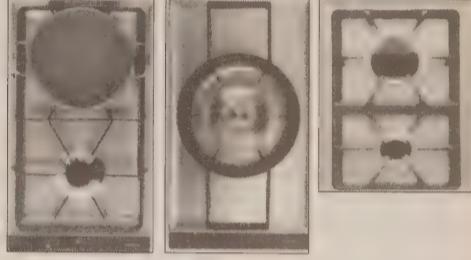
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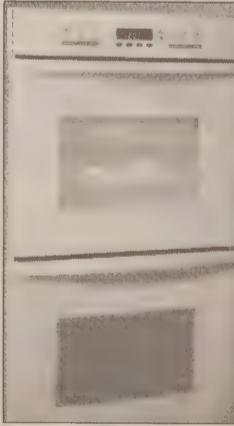


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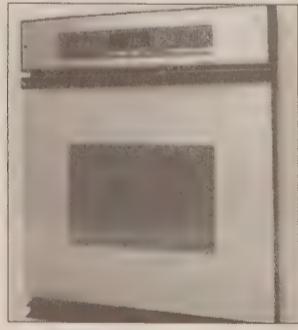
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Greg Gibbert, of Dick's Carpet & Area Rug Warehouse, shows Ellen Ferris carpet samples from the warehouse's tremendous selection.

Insulate ...

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With the furnace, the trick is how well you conserve and utilize the heat this device can put out.

Because of the introduction of the new generation of "Smart" thermostats, homeowners can more accurately control the amount of heat that's

needed; "powering down" the unit when the house is empty during the weekdays, for example. These devices can also save the energy-conscious homeowner when away on vacation.

Often times technological advancements can be slowed or brought to a complete standstill due to pressure by vested interests. When it comes to heating homes and conserving energy

the vested interest IS keeping homes comfortable dwellings, all year 'round, while utilizing the least amount of energy possible. Because of this, homeowners should be able to reap the benefits of the advancements in technology, for years to come.

Brian Gardner is a free-lance writer, Bay Area resident and native of Oakland.

Maze ...

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desirable alternatives."

Jeanette understands the stress and disruption associated with remodeling and makes every effort to move projects toward timely completion.

Remodel ...

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to formulate one unified design where each of these issues are addressed in a way that the whole is superior to the sum of the parts. Use towels, throw rugs and wall colors to put on the final touches.

Robert Alan wolf is an architect and principal of R.A.W. Concepts Architecture and Design with over 15 years of experience in remodeling and alterations of Bay Area homes.

Blossoms...

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This type of repellent will give any bulb-eating creature a "bitter" reminder that this property is off limits.

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This is crucial as stems and leaves continue to create and store food for winter dormancy and eventual use next spring.

Once in place, most bulb gardens can be left to multiply and flourish. With a little time and effort this fall, flowering bulbs will provide colorful, bright blossoms next spring and year-round.

Garden...

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stacks of wire bins that are full of the bulbs that are quietly waiting to spring to life.

Autumn is an important season to Tingle. It symbolizes the harvest of the year's work and the promise of new growth. "I will always honor the fall," says Tingle. "It's the season we started, when nature here is gorgeously ripe and plentiful."

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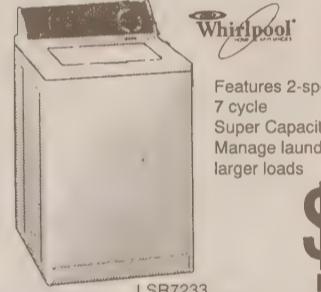
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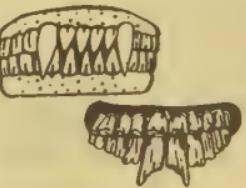
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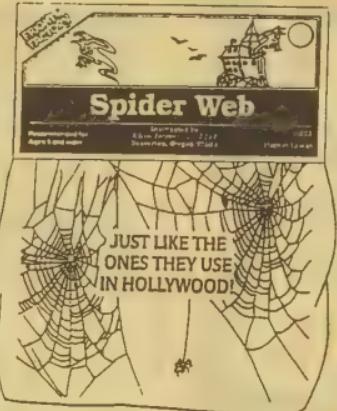
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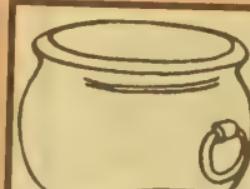
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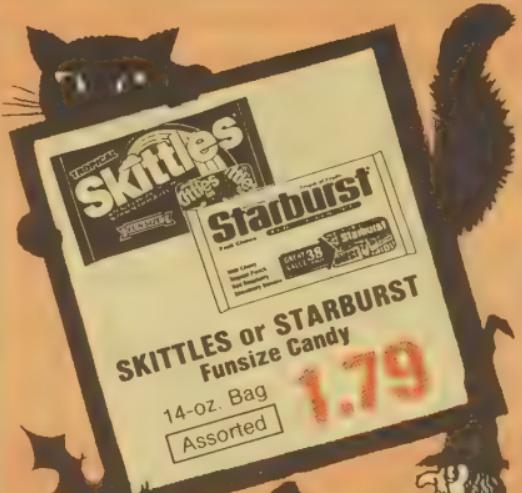
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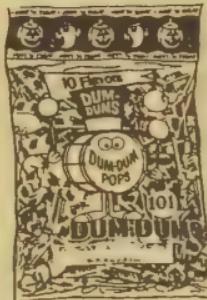
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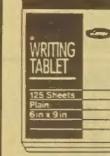
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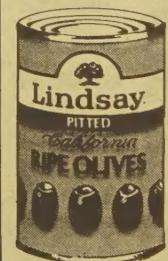
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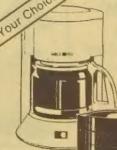
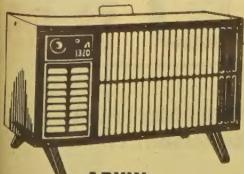
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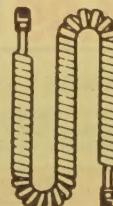
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